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A Time to Howl

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While it may feel otherwise, it wasn't that long ago that Humboldt County's neighborhoods stirred nightly around 8 p.m., enlivened by howls and shrieks as people left their kitchen tables and couches to step outside onto their stoops and porches, into their yards and back alleys. While it was part of a worldwide ritual started to pay homage and give thanks to our healthcare workers — especially those toiling in overwhelmed intensive care units and crowded hospital hallways that felt a world away — it was also pure Humboldt.

It was a chance for a resilient, rural community kept physically apart to join voices with their neighbors in a primal moment of solidarity — a chance to hear and be heard while raising a collective voice: "We are Humboldt and no virus can break that."

It's sad to reflect on how — just a handful of months later — our neighborhoods have fallen silent as our case numbers spike. And with the county sitting awash in a pandemic fatigue that's now as plain in the faces of those in grocery store checkout lines as it is in the comments on social media, it's clear the two are intrinsically linked. And it's fair to wonder whether cases are soaring because the fabric that binds this community is fraying.

Now, we're not naïve. We've long known the Redwood Curtain was not some sterile shield that would protect Humboldt County from this virus. We knew it would come. We knew it would spread. We knew people would get sick. And we knew some would die. What we didn't know — or maybe what we were just naïve to — is that some of us would decide their neighbors weren't worth the ongoing hardship. That some of us would decide their desire for the company of loved ones mattered more than our collective health and safety. That some would choose that family vacation over the need to protect our elders. That some would choose social media falsehoods over clear science simply because it's easier in the moment.

But that's exactly where we are, seeing the exponential case growth that our health officials have repeatedly warned us about, growth driven by Halloween gatherings, travel, dinner parties and social get-togethers. And as we watch our case numbers hit record levels week after week after week, there's the chilling realization that we're only now beginning to see the impact of Thanksgiving. And Christmas looms.

Some of our neighbors — whether because they want to take that trip to see family or host that dinner party that promises a taste of normalcy, or are just desperately afraid of seeing their small business close or the arrival of another bill they can't pay — will say this is all overblown. They'll say Humboldt County, as of Dec. 8, had only seen 54 hospitalizations and nine deaths. But sadly, that's all about to change because we've kept those numbers low with collective sacrifice that has largely held our case numbers to a trickle. They're gushing now and it's only a matter of time before critical illness and death follow.

Studies show about 12 percent of COVID-19 patients will be hospitalized about two weeks after their diagnosis. On Nov. 23, Humboldt County reported 56 new COVID-19 cases; two weeks later, it reported five new hospitalizations — a 10-percent increase from the cumulative tally over the first 10 months of the pandemic. In the 14 days since that eye-popping 56, the county has confirmed 352 more cases. Hospitalizations will follow. So will deaths. And the numbers will simply keep climbing until we stop them.

Amid that backdrop, we bring you this week's cover story about two young sisters in Blue Lake who have continued howling as the rest of us have collectively fallen silent. May their voices rekindle our hope, stiffen our resolve and remind us of the community we take pride in being.

This is Humboldt County, the land of Native people who were subject to generational persecution and hardship but stand vibrantly before us today, working to reclaim what's been lost and lead us all to a more equitable and just future. This is the place where, when the flood of the century hit in 1964, laying waste to entire communities, National Guard helicopters flew in with supplies only to be told to find someone else over the hill who needed help more as people emptied their freezers to feed their neighbors. It's a place where bake sales and auctions are still the lifeblood of parent-teacher-organizations and volunteer fire departments.

Humboldt County is a land of resilience and we'd all do well to remember it in the weeks ahead, as comfort, normalcy and ease beckon in a moment that demands simple sacrifice. We know what we need to do: Stay home, wear a mask when out in public, wash our hands, stop traveling and gathering with people outside our households. And maybe we need to howl again to remind ourselves who we are, who our neighbors are and how much that means. ●

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'Upside Down'

Editor:

Eighty-year-olds in Humboldt who want a COVID-19 test are out of luck, I hear — unless they already have COVID symptoms ("In the Lab," Dec. 3). And even then they'll wait three days or more for results. Test materials are scarce. Then I read that a college basketball team is being tested eight or nine times a week! (What are the pros — and the NFL — getting?) This seems an upside down set of priorities, akin to keeping bars and restaurants open while closing schools.

This inversion of values makes me suspicious of the fine words about distributing the vaccines. Shots go first to the frontline health workers, then promptly to the vulnerable old folks. If you believe that, you can believe that the earth is flat and Donald Trump won the election. Your old grandma wants to get vaccinated? Tell her to take her place at the end of the line. Behind all those 7-foot basketball players.

John Petersen, McKinleyville

'Rubes'

Editor:

Wondering about the QAnon revelations there is a worldwide liberal cabal promoting child pornography involving pizza parlors? The reason for the distinguished place in QAnon lore has been revealed: cheese pizza. Child Pornography. Get it? It's a code, rubes ("A Deadly Finale," Nov. 26). I hope we don't run out of tin foil. They're useful to fashion official QAnon headgear. Easier to manufacture than the fez with tassel formerly in fashion, as well.

John Dillon, Eureka

'Be Curious!'

Editor:

For a very long time, I have read the *North Coast Journal*'s feature column "Field Notes," notable writings on science contributed to the *Journal* by Barry Evans.

I first met Barry many years ago, shortly after he had returned from the completion of the walking pilgrimage to

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— Carolyn Lehman
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Santiago de Compostela in Spain. We met in a Eureka bookstore, a setting where ideas and contemplation live happily side by side.

Over the years, Barry has been writing in the language of science about our tiny Earth's wonders and incongruities. And when he has taken on the wonders and incongruities of the Entire Cosmos, for the reader's benefit, he has done so quite meaningfully and most often with easy humor.

The depth of his curiosity coupled with his ability to explain complicated concepts to a less-sophisticated human being like me, frankly, is amazing.

Most longtime readers of the *NCJ* probably know where to find him within its pages. But for the occasional reader, his column may go unnoticed. Barry's intellectual planet within the Universe of Printed Words that comprise the *North Coast Journal* is spinning around way out there toward the outermost reach of the very last pages of the *Journal*, out where the legal notices and employment advertisements dwell.

Readers, please, take this advice: Be curious! Look for Barry's column at the back of the *Journal*. Make the thinking pilgrim's journey with him. The vast universe is splendid, and he has much to say about it.

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'Winter has Come'

Humboldt County's new health officer steps in as cases continue to surge

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The face was fresh but the message was familiar: Humboldt County's COVID-19 case count is spiking at an increasingly rapid rate and may spiral out of control if residents don't begin wearing facial coverings fastidiously when out in public.

Hours before he would be unanimously voted in as Humboldt County's new health officer, replacing Teresa Frankovich who stepped back into a part-time, supporting role with Public Health earlier this month, Ian Hoffman addressed the board of supervisors for the first time and struck a similar note to his predecessor's increasingly dire warnings. Humboldt County, he said, had kept the virus at bay for months through compliance with health orders and aggressive testing and contact tracing efforts that quickly identified and isolated case clusters, which were long driven by travel. But the current spike, which had seen 239 cases confirmed through the first eight days of December on the heels of a record-shattering November, as the *Journal* went to press, Hoffman said, is entirely different.

"Winter has come," Hoffman said. "What we are seeing now is a change. ... It's no longer coming in from the outside. It's here and it's spread among our community. Very rapidly."

Humboldt County's rapid escalation of cases and a corresponding increase in the percentage of COVID-19 tests that are coming back positive comes amid national and statewide surges in virus activity and hospitalizations. Last week, Gov. Gavin Newsom announced that with state hospital capacities nearing dangerous levels, he was implementing stay-at-home orders in regions where intensive care unit capacity drops below 15 percent. At a Dec. 3 press conference, Newsom said he expected cumulative capacity in the Northern California region — which comprises Humboldt and 10 other counties — to dip below that threshold within days or a week, at most. But as the *Journal* went to press Dec. 8, only two regions in the state had fallen under Newsom's order and ICU capacity in the Northern California region sat at 25 percent.

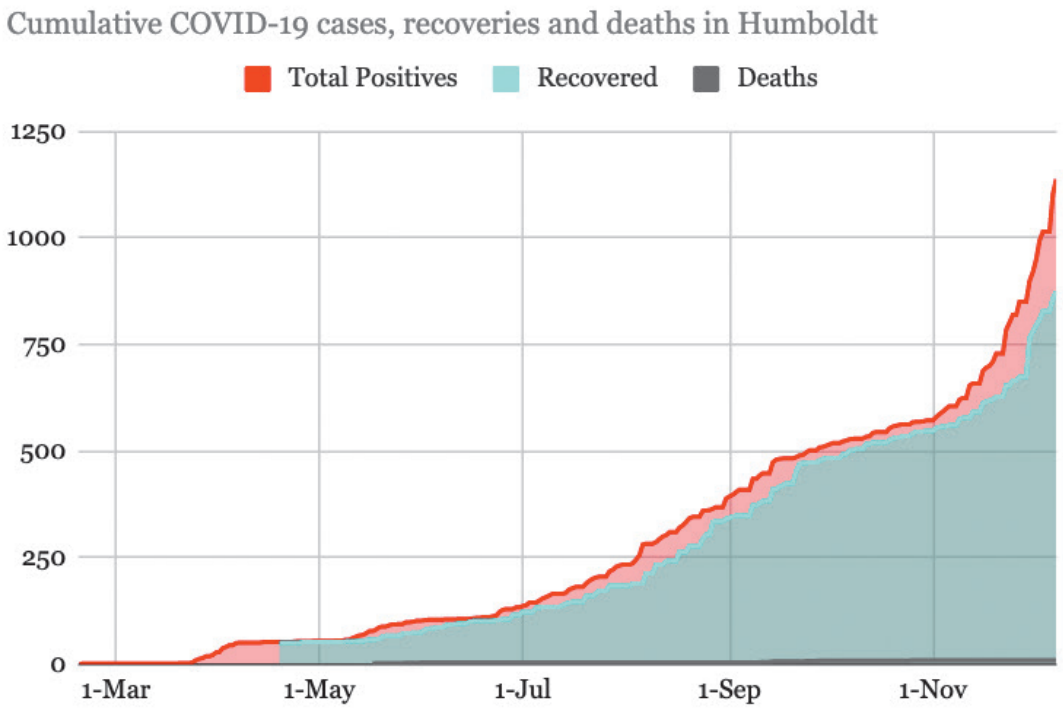
Humboldt County, meanwhile, had eight COVID-19 patients hospitalized at the *Journal*'s deadline, according to a state database, including five people the county reported were hospitalized between Dec. 4 and Dec. 7. Those came just days after the county reported last week that a total of 30 people — 29 residents and one staff member — had tested positive for the virus at the Granada Rehabilitation and Wellness skilled nursing facility in Eureka.

During the Dec. 8 Board of Supervisors meeting, First District Supervisor Rex Bohn invited St. Joseph Health CEO Roberta Luskin-Hawk to discuss local hospital capacity. She reported that the entire local healthcare system has worked hard to increase capacity. St. Joseph Hospital, she said, recently increased intensive care unit capacity from a dozen beds to 18, while Mad River Community Hospital has gone from four to six and Redwood Memorial Hospital has four. That makes 28 ICU beds currently available, which Luskin-Hawk said hospitals can keep open with existing staff. St. Joseph Hospital has plans to expand capacity further, if needed, she said, but it would require pulling nurses and staff from other shifts to work in intensive care.

She added that the county has 38 ventilators on hand between ones purchased by the hospital, by local donors, rentals and some on loan from the Providence Health System, as well as adequate supplies of COVID treatment medications. The limiting factor, should the North Coast see a sustained surge in cases and hospitalizations, she said, will be staff, noting that hospitals throughout the state and the country will be facing similar situations and she doesn't expect reinforcements to arrive from outside the area.

Currently, Luskin-Hawk said St. Joseph is able to provide COVID-19 care and "regular care" simultaneously, though that could change should hospitalizations increase.

Hoffman similarly reported that the healthcare system is not currently overrun but warned that's a delicate balance, given the way the virus can spread exponentially. He noted that while it took Humboldt County nearly 10 months to record its first 1,000 cases, it's on track to see the next



North Coast Journal graphic

1,000 over the course of a little more than 30 days.

"If that sounds shocking, it should sound shocking," Hoffman said. "But that's just the nature of this disease."

The rate at which cases are increasing is alarming, he said, but stressed there is still time to stem the tide, saying "everything is going to be measured by what's going to happen in this next month."

"There should be no travel except for essential travel," Hoffman said. "Unfortunately, for all of us these holidays, that means staying home. Gatherings are prohibited under our current tier. You need to be aware of that and adhere to that. Gatherings, even small ones, can and do spread the disease. ... We're seeing a lot of community spread right now. We are seeing that to a degree that we have not seen before."

Finally, Hoffman said, people need to wear masks while out in public and maintain 6 feet or more of physical distance even with facial coverings.

"Why we doing all of this? Because we want to get through this winter with minimal life loss and minimal hospitalizations," he said.

Vaccines are on the way, Hoffman said, with the first doses of the Pfizer vaccine slated to arrive in the county in the coming weeks. But the health officer said he was unsure how many doses would arrive and added what does initially will will go to healthcare workers in "high-risk settings" and those living in long-term care facilities.

Toward the close of the COVID report at the Dec. 8 meeting, Fifth District Supervisor Steve Madrone asked Sheriff William Honsal about enforcement efforts should the county fall under a new stay-at-home order from the governor's office, noting that some sheriffs in other counties have publicly stated they will not enforce the new order, which the supervisor said seems like a "horrible message."

Honsal said his department will continue its "educational" approach. But the sheriff quickly added that it's "definitely a balance" and said law enforcement contacts to enforce a stay-at-home order could lead to a use-of-force situation, and potentially even a "deadly force confrontation." Plus, he said the county is seeing escalating instances of "violent acts" and crime throughout the county, and his office is going to continue prioritizing those calls. All that said, Honsal added that every deputy and officer has the discretion to issue citations.

"Every deputy and every officer uses discretion," he said. "If there's a citation needed, a deputy will cite someone. ... If there's a business that's out of compliance, they may get a citation and they'll have their day in court."

Though Madrone thanked the sheriff and his deputies for their hard work and voiced relief that the sheriff was not pledging to not enforce health orders like some of his counterparts, the supervisor seemed somewhat dissatisfied with Honsal's answer.

"In all honesty, not wearing a mask is walking around with a deadly weapon," Madrone said. "I don't mean to be dramatic, but this is not a simple case of people choosing one thing or another. People walking around unmasked and un-distanced is a threat to our society."

Honsal then voiced some frustration with the governor's office, saying it hasn't been communicating well with local sheriffs — the enforcement arm of health orders — about "how to properly manage this." The sheriff then offered an abrupt about face, saying he'd keep all tools on the table before seeming to minimize the threat of COVID-19 locally.

"I'm not going to take anything off the table because there may be a time when we need to have someone in jail over a COVID violation," Honsal said, adding that "stats show that unless you are over 70 years old in Humboldt County" the virus is "not necessarily deadly as far as percentages go."

Nationwide data, however, has conclusively indicated that while seniors and people with underlying health conditions are far more at risk of dying of the virus, healthy young people have also faced critical and even deadly outcomes, not to mention the long-term health impacts of infection. Those impacts are still being studied but preliminary research indicates they can include damage to the heart, lungs, brain and cardiovascular system.

When the conversation came back to Hoffman, he noted that Humboldt County's death numbers could change quickly with the current outbreak in Granada's skilled nursing facility.

"That could turn very quickly ... we could go from no deaths in the last couple of months to doubling our death rate, easily, in the coming weeks," Hoffman said, adding the only way to truly protect those in long-term care facilities is to limit community spread. "That's the only way for us to protect them. They were protected throughout the spring and summer and early fall."

Board Chair Estelle Fennell then chimed in, saying people should remember that even for the elderly, dying of COVID-19 alone in a hospital is not necessarily a peaceful death.

"People need to understand this isn't just fading away when you're old," she said. "This is an ugly death." ●

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‘A Curriculum that Empowers’

Virtual roundtable focuses on need for better education outcomes for Native youth

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Speaking at a virtual roundtable called to discuss the systemic failures of local school districts to help Native students succeed, as detailed in a recent report by the American Civil Liberties Union of Northern California, Humboldt State University Native American Studies Chair Cutcha Risling Baldy said it largely comes down to curriculums that disempower Native youth.

Baldy, who is of Karuk, Hupa and Yurok decent and a *Journal* contributor, said the California Mission Project and Gold Rush lessons erase the history of California’s attempted genocide on Native people, noting that the state legalized the enslavement of Native people and even offered bounties for killing them.

As such, Baldy says school curriculums often disempower Native youth, leaving them feeling unheard, unrepresented and even erased.

“I know it’s possible to create a curriculum that empowers Native youth,” Baldy said. “We know we have a curriculum that disempowers them, that takes their stories from them. We know we have these situations where they’re not feeling empowered to go into higher education. We know that once they get there, they’re confronted consistently with people who question their own stories. It’s time to change that. It’s time to start at the very basis of the structural curriculum that we teach our youth to tell them that their stories are important and matter, that their voices are important and matter.”

The Dec. 3 discussion is an attempt to build on the ACLU’s October report that found Native American youth in Humboldt County struggle to meet basic educational benchmarks and are far more likely to be suspended, expelled or suffer chronic absenteeism than their non-Native peers.

For example, in the 2018-2019 school year, just 20.7 percent of local Native students met or exceeded state English language arts standards for their grade levels, compared to 44.6 percent of students overall. In math, just 14.5 percent of Native students met or exceeded standards, compared to 32.5 percent of all Humboldt County students.

Tedde Simon, an investigator and acting Indigenous justice program manager at the ACLU Foundation of Northern California said in an October interview with the *Journal* that while the findings weren’t surprising, they were nonetheless shocking. The report, a first citable document, validates what has already been known in Humboldt’s Native community: That Native school kids struggle more than their non-Native counterparts.

Two-hundred participants from Humboldt and Del Norte counties tuned in to the virtual Native American Report Card Roundtable discussion and listened to Baldy and other presenters speak about what’s missing in Humboldt County schools.

Baldy spoke about her lectures at HSU, saying she asks all her incoming students what they learned about Native Americans in school, with students most commonly saying they learned how the California Mission Project brought Christianity to the West and how the California Gold Rush boosted the state’s economy. The problem, she said, is that current school curriculums leave out how harmful these two historic events were to California’s Native people.

And this was a message — almost a call to action — repeated throughout the roundtable: Bring more Native representation and history into school curriculums to empower local Native youth so that they can thrive academically and socially.

Rain Marshall, the Indigenous education advocate for the Northern California Indian Development Council, has firsthand experience seeing how triggering any discussions surrounding Thanksgiving, Columbus and the Gold Rush are to Native students.

“It makes students not want to go to school anymore,” she said. “That’s something that can be addressed proactively by teachers, by changing the narrative to discuss it from an Indigenous perspective. That’s something that goes off the history books and into some extra research that is definitely available.”

Two Feathers Native American Family Services Executive Director Virgil Moorehead said a strong focus on Native culture and identity can help foster restoration and healing, leading Native students toward a better sense of themselves.

“I think this is about development — human development,” Moorehead said. “We’re all part of the positive development of our children. We must have a community focus, including addressing the root causes and understanding persistent trauma environments in the effects of cultural and personal discontinuity.”

All speakers agreed there is a lot of work left to do to begin addressing the drastic disparities the ACLU report found. But the report does highlight 11 tangible recommendations for school districts to begin implementing immediately, including what Baldy and Moorehead suggest, adopting more culturally relevant curriculum, as well as hiring more mental health professionals, moving away from exclusionary discipline models and developing memorandums of understanding with local tribes and service providers.

The discussion is scheduled to continue as a monthly event with another Zoom roundtable forum set for Jan. 21, 2021, at 5 p.m., which can be viewed at https://humboldtstate.zoom.us/j/82833695092?pwd=Z0x3NFBoVnVUOTBBaGE3YzhFdWpNUT09 Meeting ID: 828 3369 5092 Passcode: C6G8V*

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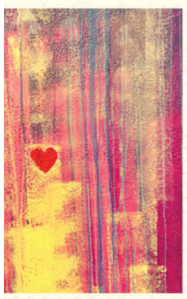






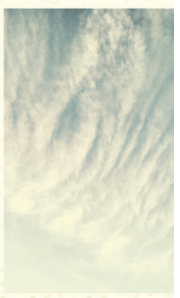


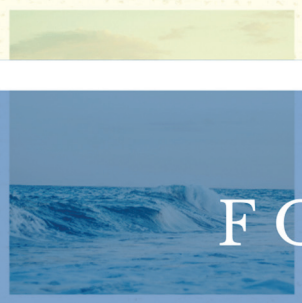
















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COVID Hits Local Nursing Home

Humboldt County Public Health has confirmed a COVID-19 outbreak of at least 30 people at the Granada Rehab and Wellness skilled nursing facility in Eureka.

An employee at the facility tested positive for the virus Nov. 25 during a routine, state-required screening, prompting Public Health to then test every person in the facility. Public Health reported Dec. 3 that 29 residents of the 87-bed facility had subsequently tested positive for the novel coronavirus, with testing ongoing.

"Experts in infection control from Public Health and CDPH are assisting the facility in containing the outbreak, including on-site support. Public Health will provide ongoing testing of all staff and residents and additional expertise as needed," the release states.

Granada Rehabilitation and Wellness administrators did not return *Journal* calls seeking comment.

The announcement of the Granada outbreak came during a week in which the county confirmed a record 165 cases, marking the third consecutive week the county set a new benchmark for reported infections and signaling a rapid escalation of disease circulation locally. Humboldt County Deputy Health Officer Dr. Josh Ennis said the Granada outbreak shows how difficult it is to keep the vulnerable safe from COVID-19 infections once community transmission becomes widespread.

"We have a level of disease circulating right now that compromises our ability to conserve our hospital beds and ultimately protect the vulnerable," he said in the release.

The weekend following the county's announcement, five new COVID-19 hospitalizations were reported, though it's not clear whether those included Granada residents.

Toward the end of May, Alder Bay Assisted Living Facility in Eureka was the epicenter of another cluster of COVID-19 cases, as the facility had five staff members and seven residents test positive for the virus, with four residents dying of the disease.

The novel coronavirus is known to attack the lungs and can be fatal to those with underlying health conditions and those 65 years or older.

According to national data analyzed by the Kaiser Family Foundation, the COVID-19 virus has killed more than 100,000 long-term care facility residents and staff as of the last week in November.

KFF also found that nationwide 40 percent of all COVID-19 deaths come from long-term care facilities.

The nonprofit organization does note that the data could be an underestimate as five states (Hawaii, Maine, Missouri, Nevada and West Virginia) have not updated their long-term care death reports in more than a week and Alaska does not provide data on deaths in these facilities.

Granada administrators are working with county and state public health to follow recommended containment strategies and closely monitor residents' health, according to the release.

— Iridian Casarez

POSTED 12.03.20 Read the full story online.

New Health Officer in Town



The Humboldt County Board of Supervisors has approved Ian Hoffman as the county's next health officer, replacing Teresa Frankovich who announced she'd be stepping down from the role in September. A family doctor, Hoffman holds a masters in public health degree from the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School at Rutgers and relocated to Humboldt County to raise his children near extended family. POSTED 12.04.20

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A Capitol Christmas: Next year's U.S. Capitol Building Christmas tree (also known as "The People's Tree") will hail from California's Second Congressional District's very own Six Rivers National Forest, North Coast Rep. Jared Huffman announced on Twitter, touting The Six as having "the biggest and most beautiful trees of all." POSTED 12.05.20

Yurok Tribe Closes Reservation: The Yurok Tribal Council has voted to close its reservation for at least three weeks in response to the regional surge in COVID-19 cases. "We are taking every available precaution to protect our elders," explained Tribal Chair Joseph L. James in a press release. The reservation had seen 15 confirmed cases as of Dec. 7. POSTED 12.07.20

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Digitally Speaking

15 The number of years a superior court judge sentenced 17-year-old Logan Rain Brewer Hearst to serve in the California Division of Juvenile Justice for the killing of Taevonne Latimer during a drug deal gone wrong in Arcata in May of 2019. Hearst, who had pleaded guilty to a manslaughter charge, by law can only be incarcerated until the age of 25 due to his juvenile status. POSTED 12.04.20

They Said It

"I'm just a country lawyer, focused on natural resources issues here in the House."

— North Coast Rep. Jared Huffman on Twitter responding to speculation he was on California Gov. Gavin Newsom's short list of candidates to replace Attorney General Xavier Bacerra, who has been tapped to join President-elect Joe Biden's cabinet. Huffman said he's not interested in the state position, though he's "flattered to be mentioned." POSTED 12.07.20

Comment of the Week

"My aunt is a resident at the facility and we're all very concerned. This is so scary."

— "Carla 1" commenting on the Journal's *website on the above story about the COVID-19 outbreak at the Granada Rehabilitation and Wellness skilled nursing facility. POSTED 12.08.20*

THE LAST HOWLERS

As pandemic fatigue sets in for many, two Blue Lake sisters keep howling

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They don't do it every night, not anymore. But when it feels right to step outside at 8 p.m., take a deep breath and howl into the night, Blue Lake sisters Alexis and Shelby Wickizer — ages 8 and 5, respectively — still follow the urge.

"Owwwwwwwwww! Owwwwwww-ww!" the girls called out together Sunday night, continuing a practice that began in Colorado at the onset of the pandemic to support healthcare workers.

During the first lockdown, the ritual spread to cities and towns across the world via a Facebook group entitled "Go Outside and Howl at 8pm," which quickly grew to more than a half-million members. But while the nightly hubbubs were once pervasive throughout Humboldt, they have largely faded as the pandemic has stretched on.

After the girls did not receive a response Sunday, they howled again, louder. Then again. Still nothing. Although some friends and neighbors do howl back at the girls on occasion, the sisters have come to accept they are the last true howlers of Blue Lake.

In step with the loss of interest in howling has come a phenomenon known as pandemic fatigue, a burnout from facing the prolonged threat of COVID-19 that presents as feelings of restlessness, irritability and difficulty concentrating. Pandemic fatigue also saps motivation to follow public health guidance, which isn't helping matters.

"People are just tired of this, and I completely understand that," former Humboldt County Health Officer Teresa Frankovich said last month. "We all want normal, we want to go back to normal, we want this to be over, and I think to some extent at times people just pretend that it is and just behave as they normally would have before COVID."

Coupled with the colder weather forcing people indoors, health officials say fatigue is driving a recent surge in cases both locally and nationwide. In November, Humboldt County reported 328 cases, a huge jump from the 59 cases in October. In the first eight days of December before the *Journal* went to press, 239 new cases had already been recorded with test-positivity rates spiking.

With the possibility of another stay-at-home order looming, the young sisters have not lost sight of the mission, and their parents Jeff and Katrina Wickizer continue encouraging them to keep howling.

"We want to support our country, our nurses, our doctors, the policemen, the firefighters and all our nurses and doctors and all the vets and everything," Alexis, a third grader, says matter-of-factly.

"Because, so people won't be sad and they won't miss us," adds Shelby, a kindergartener.

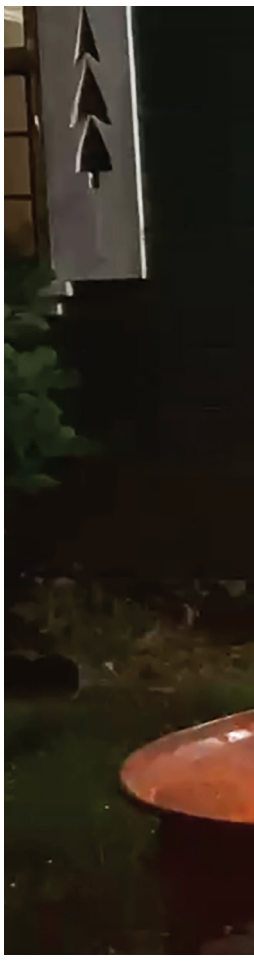
Over the last few months, the adorable howlers of Blue Lake have amassed a following not only in their neighborhood but also on Facebook, where their dad regularly posts howl videos in the Blue Lake Community News and Crime Watch group. Jeff Wickizer, who owns a pair of lawn care and tree-felling businesses, enjoys doing a little something to boost moral and support the nation, he says, and he gets a kick out of seeing how people respond. For the most part, they express gratitude.

"Keep it going," one user commented on a recent howling video. "The rest of us seem to have forgotten. Need to step it up Blue Lake."

In addition to the online praise, visitors have come by the Wickizer's home to witness the howling spectacle for them-



Left: Shelby (left) and Alexis Wickizer display a t-shirt somebody dropped off at their house in appreciation of their persistent nightly howling.



Right: Alexis Wickizer (left) and her sister Shelby howl by the fire in support of healthcare workers and first responders

selves. Some have even dropped off gifts. Two baskets were left on the stoop containing beach towels, bubbles and blue t-shirts with coyote images and white lettering that reads: "Howling at 8 from Blue Lake." A woman showed up one night with dresses and skirts for the girls, and howled with them.

When the howling phenomenon began, people deeply appreciated it and joined in, at least for a while, essentially because we adopted it as a social norm, according to Gregg Gold, a professor of social psychology at Humboldt State University.

"With the howling, there is a human connection being made, even at a distance, and it's in real time," Gold says. "That makes us feel like part of a group, and we are very group-oriented. It's the key to our success as a species."

Gold himself was howling at 8 p.m. in Sunny Brae for about six months of the pandemic, he says, but when others stopped, he did as well. It doesn't surprise Gold, though, that the Wickizer girls are still at it.

"There are two of them, so they're a team," he says. "Also, children's tolerance for repetition is much higher than adults'."

"IT'S OUR WAY OF KEEPING HOPE ALIVE"

For most of the year, Alexis and Shelby were howling at 8 p.m. nearly every night. They howled from their front yard most often, but sometimes switched it up, howling as they rode bicycles or scooters on the street in front of their home, or as they swam in their above-ground pool. When the weather grew colder, Jeff Wickizer installed a fire pit in the yard and they howled around it. When the family went out to dinner, the girls howled in the car on the way home, and when they went on vacation in Oregon, they howled from an RV there, too.

Jeff Wickizer has alarms set on his

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Jeff Wickizer and his daughter Shelby.

phone and watch for 7:55 p.m. and, although his daughters don't howl every night anymore, he always gives them the option.

"I like to encourage them but I never force it," he says. "They started getting burned out on doing it every night."

"Yeah, because we have homework and stuff," Alexis says.

Inevitably — in this dark and divided era in American history — someone was bound to take issue with the howling. Still, it caught Jeff Wickizer by surprise when a Facebook user posted a negative comment on a video of Shelby lamenting that no one was howling back: "Yay," the user wrote. "That fad needs to die out."

Blue Lake Mayor Adelene Jones also commented on the video, saying she had stopped ringing the church bells at 8 p.m. because someone had complained about the noise.

Wickizer was upset by the negativity but says he plans to continue encouraging his girls to voice support for the nation, its first responders and its heathcare workers each night until the pandemic ends.

"It's our way of keeping hope alive," he explained to the commenter.

Many more users chimed in to let Wickizer know they wanted the howling to continue. One wrote that, during a time of uncertainty and isolation, she looked forward to the sounds of solidarity at 8 p.m. each night.

"I'd give thanks for the person who so generously and unfailingly gave of their time to ring the bells, and for all the howlers large and small that reminded us to stop for a moment and experience our connection with one another and our community," she wrote. "I'm only sorry that I waited until now to express my appreciation for the sweetness in this human act."

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COVID-19 Cases Among Restaurant Staff Deliver Another Blow



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On Nov. 21, just five days ahead of Thanksgiving, for which Plaza Grill already had 300 confirmed holiday dinner orders and another 200 awaiting confirmation, owner Bill Chino picked up the phone and started calling customers to cancel. A front-of-house employee had just tested positive for COVID-19. The call list was daunting, he says, "but it was the right thing and the prudent thing to do."

Plaza Grill was not alone. Within that week, five Arcata restaurants shut down temporarily due to employees possibly being exposed to or testing positive for COVID-19. It was the same week then county Health Officer Teresa Frankovich noted in a media availability that, along with travel, social gatherings beyond the three-household outdoor gatherings allowed under state guidelines — including a party with some 100 people in attendance — were driving a spike in positive cases that had pushed Humboldt into the purple "widespread" risk tier Nov. 24 and has only grown steeper in December. The closures and the increased restrictions of the purple tier have been harsh blows to already struggling restaurant owners and employees faced with shrinking margins, bills and little choice but to just keep working.

The Facebook announcements came in a flurry. On Nov. 15, Septentrio Winery announced it was shutting down after a visitor to its tasting room tested positive. The next day, Wildflower posted that "a couple of staff members" had been potentially exposed to COVID-19 and it was closing temporarily. On Nov. 18, sister operations Salt Fish House and Campground announced they were both closing due to an employee's positive test.

That same day, Septentrio Winery announced its staff had been cleared with negative tests but it would only reopen for curbside sales, with no indoor or outdoor seating. Wildflower, too, shared on Nov. 21 that all staff had tested negative for the virus and it would open for brunch the following day. Salt and Campground were back in service Dec. 1 and 2, respectively, and Plaza Grill, once its 15 staffers tested negative, was back for takeout dinners Dec. 2. The closures may seem relatively brief but at Salt and Campfire, for example, some 25 staff at each restaurant were not working and not getting paid for two weeks.

"I was hoping we wouldn't be affected but I was ready," says Chino. "When you think about it, it's just a game of numbers." On Nov. 16, he and manager Laura Schramer learned two front-of-house employees had been exposed to COVID-19 outside of work and immediately took them off the schedule. Schramer and others who'd worked closely with them self-quarantined and ultimately tested negative. On Nov. 21, when the employees' tests came back positive, Chino shuttered the restaurant. "They did not require me," he says of Department of Health and Human Services staff. Instead, he says they helpfully laid out the information about potential spread and helped him think through the choice.

Schramer, meanwhile, worked with contact tracers to go over scheduling back to Nov. 14, the established date of exposure. While both employees had worked that evening, neither had any shifts between then and being taken off the schedule and quarantining.

Chino said he was told the employees had attended a fairly large social gathering. He was grateful they came forward and wondered at how the virus might have spread if someone hadn't shown symptoms.

A person who spoke to the *Journal* on condition of anonymity says they'd hosted a party at their home with friends, some of whom work in the restaurant industry, on Nov. 9, though it was not the 100-person gathering mentioned by Frankovich. (The *Journal* could not confirm any connection between it and any specific restaurant closures and DHHS does not release that information.)

"It was a lot of people I'd been seeing throughout the quarantine and it felt OK," they say. The following day, they say they learned one of the attendees was feeling ill. "We told everyone right away," they say, adding they themselves isolated immediately and other guests "quarantined, called in to their jobs." Only a couple had worked shifts in restaurants in that one-day period, they say, and fellow employees eventually tested negative.

"[DHHS] called me immediately as soon as I got a positive test result. Within 10 minutes." From there, they went through the guest list with a contact tracer, who instructed them to continue to isolate. "The one thing they reiterated to me was that it's in-home gatherings and travel" spreading the virus.

The host's own symptoms were relatively mild and they spent about six days sick with severe body aches and had some lingering "lung issues." Along with regret over holding the party, they are concerned about potential blame being cast on restaurants that are "doing their due diligence" and working hard to follow protocols. "It happened at a private in-home gathering. And we just had normal people that were already [podding] with us. And one of them happened to be sick."

Some of that blame may have been cast toward Septentrio's tasting room. On Dec. 7, a post on the winery's Facebook page read, "It has come to our attention that a rumor is being spread that Septentrio Winery 'hosted a super-spreader event with a live band, resulting in 30+ cases.' This is false and is based off of misinformation and slander of our very small family business." It went on to say there had been no party and no band, and that the winery had never been asked to take part in contact tracing or to close. "Our doors are closed for service now until we feel confident that our community has the current case spike under control. This is not an easy decision to make as a small business." Calls to the winery were not returned before the *Journal* went to press.

"What's hurting us the most is the uncertainty," says Chino, who's moved dining between indoor and outdoor to takeout only and had to cut staff while crossing his fingers he can get them back later when restrictions lift. He says receiving federal funding has helped but he didn't plan for the pandemic and its resulting restrictions to last quite this long.

But Chino says losing the Thanksgiving revenue wasn't as painful as it could have been. For one thing, not all the ingredients had been purchased yet and he was able to freeze or store others. "If we can't utilize it in some way, we'll give it to the food bank." What struck him most was that not one customer in all those cancelation phone calls was angry. Instead, they expressed concern for the health of his staff. He says he even got offers of help from other local businesses.

"As troublesome as those few days after the positive test were, sort of the upshot of the whole event was that the downside was overshadowed by the upside," says Chino. "It was just a feel-good moment." ●

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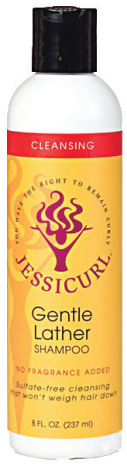
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Please Don't Cry in the Big Girl's Store

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When I was around 10 years old, my mother decided we should have swimming lessons. It was a good decision; in 1992, the Mattole River was still deep and swift in many places, and that's where we spent most of our summers, dogpaddling and diving for submerged soda cans with our cousins. I wasn't scared of the river, however. I was scared of the public pool and the public at that pool, who would see me in a bathing suit. Even at 10, my body was growing at a pace and complexity that no one, including me, was really prepared to deal with, and nothing in my wardrobe could keep up.

So it was that I went to the College of the Redwoods pool in my grandmother's old bathing suit, with a length of orange baling twine tied across the back to keep the straps from falling down. It wasn't that we couldn't afford a suit for me; I remember thinking at the time that asking to go buy one would be both pointless and proof that I did not know my place. I grew up on a ranch, in an environment that prized self-sufficiency, hard work and thrift. That was my place. Town — and the college pool with its skinny town girls in their pink one-pieces — was never going to be a space where I fit in. Neither was the mall or department stores where, try as we might, we couldn't find a single dress that would zip all the way up my back. I wore drab women's clothes and a male cousin's oversized sports sweaters all through middle school. I remember being unhappy about all of this — about my size, about the fact that nothing fit me, about how my body, no matter how much I willed it to stop, kept growing and

growing and growing. But I also remember thinking that there was no use crying about it because crying changes nothing. I was a misfit, the wrong size for the normal-sized world, so chubby that when I ran, my cheeks would bounce high enough to obscure my sight.

We are never totally the person we have grown into being. We always carry all the people we have ever been inside us. I know because last February I went shopping at A Plus For You in Henderson Center — recently re-morphed into Sisters Clothing Collective in Old Town — and had to hide my wet face against a row of winter coats. I had never been in a thrift store that was exclusively for plus-size women, and found it unexpectedly moving. The new location, a collaboration between friends Jennifer Bessette and Willow Hendry, specializes in women's clothing up to size 5X, and is focused on creating an inclusive, body-positive experience. Bessette and Hendry also created an online shopping platform for a COVID-safe browsing experience.

"Please don't cry in the Big Girl's Store. Please don't cry in the Big Girl's Store," I willed myself, taking deep breaths as I flicked through pairs of secondhand jeans. Today I am a confident, well-dressed woman who has come to terms with her body, but I am also still that chubby little girl who didn't fit in anywhere. I love thrift stores, but cute vintage stuff isn't usually an option for women my size unless we're willing to throw a ton of money down online. And for quality non-vintage threads, the majority of clothing in local stores still skews heavily toward the petite side of the spectrum.

In the last quarter-century the fashion industry has figured out fat women have money they might want to spend on clothes that don't look like circus tents and now there is much more of a selection of plus-size clothing in traditional retail stores. But I've always felt ethically uneasy with the labor practices of most clothing companies, and prefer to spend a little less money on clothes that have already been loved once. Also, fashion industry? Where were you when I was using baling twine to jerry-rig my swimsuit? You weren't on my side then, and I don't believe you're really on my side now, no matter how often you slap a #brave on a picture of a size 14 woman wearing a $200 jumpsuit.

The phrase "safe spaces" gets a lot of crap thrown at it. Cynics and "thought warriors" like to push back on the notion of inclusivity and emotional safety by insisting that the world is intrinsically cruel, and that by creating safe spaces we are doing ourselves a disservice, refusing to test our beliefs against alternative facts. This is a fallacy. Those of us who stick out are perfectly aware of the world's cruelties. Like that pool, like those department stores, much of the world is policed by those self-same critics who rely on a completely artificial sense of normalcy so they themselves can feel safe. There are ways to fit in and there are ways to resist. And there are ways to make the world a little bigger, a little roomier — a place that fits for everyone. To the sisters doing just that, I'm sorry for using that cute scarf to wipe my eyes and, yes, I'd like to try on that wrap dress in the window.

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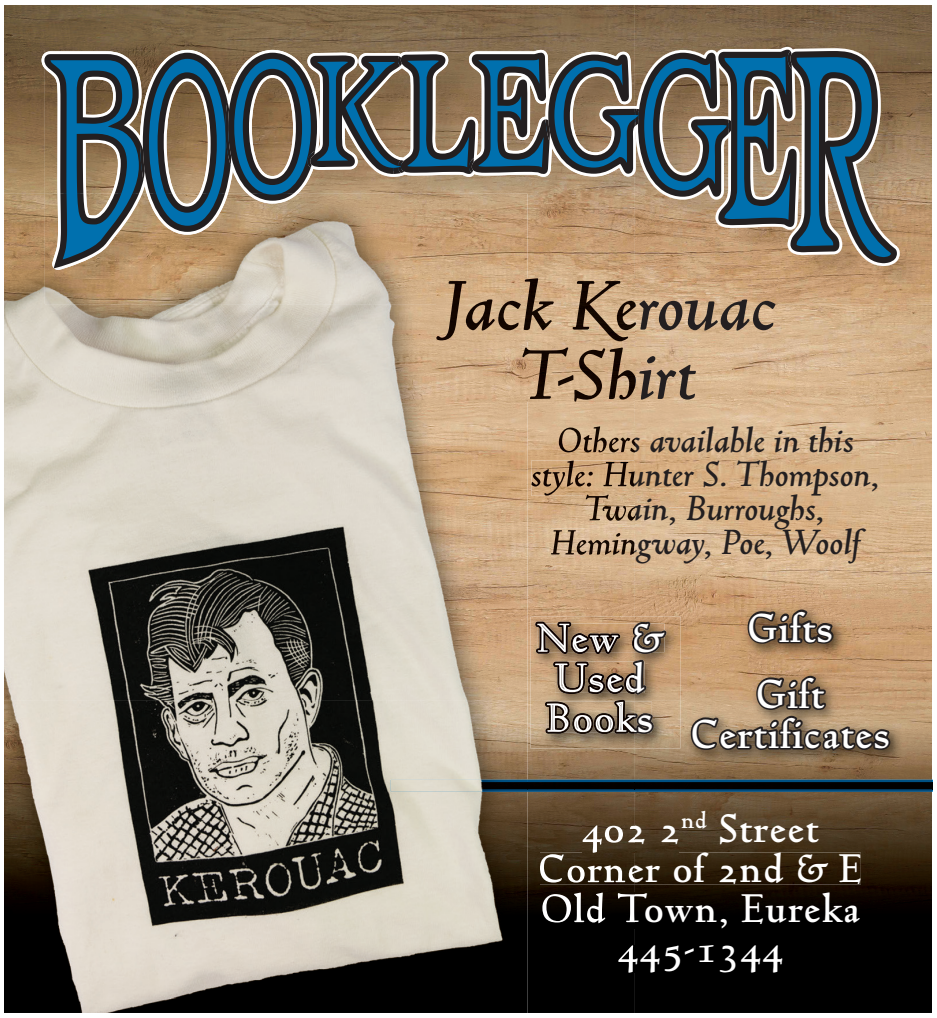
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Fall Color

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The bright red blossoms of fragrant pineapple sage.
Photo by Julia Graham-Whitt

Fall is upon us in all of her splendor. The late rains this year mean we've been able to enjoy the beautiful trees longer than we're generally used to. The lack of wind, until recently, has also contributed to the beautiful foliage staying in place. At my place, the paperbark birch is resplendent in her reds, while the flowering cherry in the orchard greets me every morning with hues of yellow and orange. The blueberries are turning red as well, just before they drop their leaves. Even the apple trees are getting in on the action, as many of them have subtle hues of yellow in their leaves.

When we think of fall color (yes, we really do have fall colors here on the North Coast — just take a drive down the Avenue of the Giants and take a gander at those big leaf maples, or the dogwoods), we often think of the blazing colors of Minnesota and Wisconsin, or the stunning displays of maples, dogwoods, sassafras, red oaks, birch and poplars of New England. But we have plenty of color here, too. And it's not just trees.

As the days turn to gray and more rain (please) falls on our beautiful redwoods, there are ways to brighten up your fall and winter garden long after the deciduous trees have lost their leaves.

If you don't have a lot of room to plant a tree at your place, consider some of the shrubs that have gorgeous color: red twig dogwood, viburnum, spicebush, oakleaf hydrangea or blueberries, which, incidentally, also provide you with a scrumptious crop of fruit in the spring and early summer (if the birds don't get them first). Just make sure you read the tag that tells you how big (or small) the shrub will eventually be. I like to tell clients to add 20 percent to the size of anything listed on the tag, since it is Humboldt and we like to grow things big here.

Don't forget the annuals such as violas, pansies and alyssum, which can act as perennials here on the coast, as they re-seed heartily. A few perennials that are blooming right now are primrose and cyclamen. You can find most of these at the local nurseries, and some of the newer cultivars are simply stunning. In subsequent years, you can divide these and have even more plants, or share with a friend who wants to have some fall color.

Another plant that I really love at this time of the year is pineapple sage — it typically starts blooming in early October and can go all through the fall and part of winter. It's a tender perennial and may die back if we get a hard freeze, but it can withstand some frost. Bees and hummingbirds are drawn to the beautiful crimson tubular flowers, and if you plant it near a pathway, you'll be rewarded with the faint smell of pineapple (hence its name) when you brush up against it.

And don't forget: It's not too late to plant those spring bulbs. Most nurseries still have a plentiful supply and you may find some on sale, as they make room for the summer blooming bulbs and tubers in the near future. Follow the instructions on the package, and plant with a little bit of bone meal to feed the bulbs as they grow. If you are cursed with gophers, as I am, you'll find that daffodils and scilla aren't as enticing to the little buggers as, say, tulips are. You can always put flowering bulbs in pots to protect them from the big-toothed rodents and still enjoy a show in late winter and early spring.

And it's not too late to plant your garlic and onions. Do it soon, though, or else you'll get smaller bulbs come next year. Remember to mulch well with some straw to combat weeds, as garlic, onions, and shallots don't like to compete with weeds.

This is also a great time to move any plants that might be in the wrong spot. Shrubs, and even small trees can be transplanted right now. Perhaps that daphne is in a spot that looked great last year when you put it in the ground, but you discovered that it's kind of in the way of those lovely raised beds you built and planted. It's time to move it to a better spot now. Make sure you get the entire root ball and try not to compact the soil (now that it's wetter) when you replant it. The coming rains will water it in and it should be off to a good start come next spring.

Soon enough, it's going to be time to prune those deciduous trees and roses. But that's for next time.

Until then, happy gardening. Get out there in nature and enjoy the show before the next big windstorm comes in.

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A kelp crab molting.
Photo by Mike Kelly

Getting Out of Your Shell

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I answered the doorbell and found Wonder Woman standing there in full costume. She explained that she was a space alien telepathically disguising herself. In order to gain acceptance, they appear to Earthlings as the subject of our most recent erotic fantasy. It totally worked and I invited her in. (My dog must have thought she was Lassie because he kept humping her leg. And she didn't mind!)

While researching Earth, this alien had discovered that the northern kelp crab (*Pugettia producta*) resembles her species quite closely and she wanted to meet them. She had read the online version of Washed Up and knew that I would be the perfect ambassador to facilitate their first contact.

So quickly, before my wife got home, I took Wonder Woman to a rocky shoreline. Northern kelp crabs typically live on dense kelp in shallow water, a habitat most common where it's rocky. However, they can be found all along the West Coast wherever else kelp is attached, like on docks in Humboldt Bay.

While waiting for the tide to recede, we searched for washed-up kelp crab molts. Northern kelp crabs shed their exoskeletons several times before reaching a maximum size at sexual maturity. This is unlike our Dungeness crabs, which continue molting and growing after maturity. We found some nice fresh molts on the beach and Wonder Woman collected them for show-and-tell back on her home planet.

Then we searched for some live kelp crabs. When I uncovered the first one — a large brown-backed and crimson-fronted adult male — Wonder Woman squealed, "He's sooo handsome! And his claws are so big!"

Indeed, I estimate that northern kelp crabs have the fourth pinchiest claws of our local crabs. Ahead of them are Pacific rock crabs, red rock crabs and Dungeness crabs. All three of those are true cancer crabs, though. The northern kelp crab is a decorating spider crab, which we nit-picky biologists don't consider true crabs. So maybe I deserved it that time one cut open my finger.

Then I found a small juvenile. "Oochi koochi koo!" Wonder Woman said. The little crab was decorated with bits of algae attached to tiny hooks on its back. I explained that the attached bits may help camouflage the crab but they are mainly there to be used later as food.

Wonder Woman tried some kelp and said it wasn't bad. I mentioned that northern kelp crabs do mainly eat kelp but, in winter when the kelp dies back, they will switch to feeding on encrusting animals like barnacles, mussels and hydroids.

We then found an adult female carrying tens of thousands of grayish-purple eggs under her abdomen. The color indicated the eggs would hatch soon. This prompted Wonder Woman to ask if we could find a pair of crabs having sex. I told her no because kelp crabs move out to deep water to mate. So she swam out to sea. She found a mating pair in about 200 feet of water and got some video she said would be worth big money back home.

Satisfied with the educational adventure, we went back to my house. She finally asked what it was my dog kept doing to her leg. I said, "Uh ... It's like an Earthling, um, symbolic gesture to wish you, uh, to live long and prosper."

Wonder Woman asked if it would be culturally appropriate for an alien to wish me well like this. And I was like, "Sure!" But then, oh no! My wife got home to find me having my leg humped by Han Solo. She didn't mind.

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The Death of Leo Gallagher

And 16 years without Fortuna High Football

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A photo of Leo Gallagher (seated second from right) as an officer of the Boys' League in the 1928 Fortuna Union High School *Megaphone* yearbook.
Courtesy of the Fortuna Depot Museum

These three headlines tell a story: "Ferndale Invades Fortuna," *Humboldt Times*, Nov. 3, 1928. "Fortuna High Student Dies after Football Accident," *Humboldt Times*, Nov. 5, 1928. "Leo Gallagher Funeral Held," *Humboldt Times*, Nov 7, 1928.

I'd heard of a period when there was no football at Fortuna High School due to the death of a student athlete, but I never knew the story until an article about the incident by Alex Service, a museum curator at the Fortuna Depot Museum showed up in my faculty mailbox at Fortuna High. It was titled, "Tragedy in Fortuna."

It was so interesting, I shared it with my classes. The story is heart-wrenching but it also gives some insight into the differences in society between then and now.

Leo Gallagher lost his dad to pneumonia when he was in eighth grade. By the late fall of his junior year in high school, he had joined his dad in the cemetery on Newburg Road.

In 11th grade, his first year playing football, Gallagher had become particularly good. He was considered one the premiere players in the league of four local high schools: Eureka, Ferndale, Arcata and Fortuna. Eureka had already won the championship but the teams in the league had a lot of parity and any Ferndale vs. Fortuna football game was going to be a thriller, even in 1928.

A dark, dank and rainy day of football was planned in Fortuna that Saturday, the last game of the season. The field was a muddy mess when Gallagher went in for a tackle early in the game. He slipped, falling headfirst into the knee of the oncoming rusher, but he never lost consciousness. Coach Bob Damon was quickly on the field. As the coach knelt next to him, Gallagher told him he could not move his arms or his legs. He was sent by ambulance to Dr. W.H. Comfort in Fortuna, then to the Union Labor Hospital in Eureka and then immediately that night by train to specialists in Berkeley with his mother by his side.

Gallagher, whose neck was broken, died after an operation at 2:30 a.m. The school was stunned by the death of this active popular student who had been instrumental in band, theater, the glee club, journalism, as yell leader and in many other activities.

A huge funeral was held in the gymnasium and attended by students from all four county high schools. The band and school orchestra played his favorite songs. The invocation included a story of how Gallagher, knowing the seriousness of his injuries immediately, wished to apologize to any faculty member he may have wronged in any way.

The 1927 athletic policy that Gallagher and all the male athletes in a season of sport pledged included such things as refraining from the use of tobacco, drugs and liquor, much like today's athletic code. But it also contained vague provisions such as to "not stay out late at night" and "clean living and right thinking." Girls, who did not yet compete in sports, weren't asked to sign such contracts.

For coaches and administrators now, it is often impossible to enforce aspects of the athletic code related to such things as late night parties. Imagine someone being ruled off a team for not engaging in "right thinking" or "being out too late."

What struck me most in Service's article was this: The following spring of 1929, the student body was asked to determine by vote whether to continue football in the coming fall or abolish the program. In a vote of 247 to 83, students voted overwhelmingly in favor of dropping the sport, deeming it too dangerous. Coach Damon was trained in golf over the summer, the school purchased a few golf clubs, golf became part of gym curriculum and replaced football as the new fall sport.

My favorite people are teenagers but I feel their judgment is sometimes impaired. The families and students could have "voted" for football the next fall by participating or not, or the school board could have decided. Imagine a student body voting on such a major issue now.

Football didn't come back to Fortuna High School until the fall of 1945, the end of World War II, when, after 16 seasons had passed, Damon returned as coach.

We know football is dear to Fortuna and the program is one to be emulated. There is still some fading hope for some competitions in athletics this year but team practices have been put on hold for all sports again, at least until Jan. 13, according to the California Interscholastic Federation.

I hope children and teens can stay active and keep at least some semblance of teams in 2021. One possibility would be that people making decisions during these dangerous times could choose some lower-risk COVID-19 sports such as cross country over wrestling, tennis over basketball and even golf over football. But just for a short term, not 16 years.

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Rain and Steelhead Both on the Horizon

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Michael McGahan, a guide with Wild Rivers Fishing and Brookings Fishing Charters, holds his first steelhead of the season from the Chetco River. He caught the hatchery fish Dec. 6 drifting roe.
Photo courtesy of Wild Rivers Fishing

Winter steelhead season has yet to take off on the North Coast but that could soon change. A pretty sizeable storm is headed our way this weekend that should put all of the coastal rivers on the rise, and hopefully open them to fishing. And more rain is on the way next week according to the National Weather Service. Steady rain and pulse flows are just what we need to entice some steelhead from the salt. If the rains come as predicted, the Smith and Chetco should be in prime shape sometime next week.

The Eel, South Fork Eel, Van Duzen and Mad will all see flows begin to rise over the weekend. The Mad could open early next week, while the rivers to the south may need another storm or two to get the flows up. Once all of the rivers crest and begin to recede to fishable levels, we should see the first wave of winter steelhead. After another tough late-fall salmon season, seeing the rivers loaded with bright steelhead sure would be a welcome sight.

Weather ahead

The seven-day forecast is looking good for steelhead anglers. An atmospheric river is predicted for the weekend, which will put all of the coastal rivers on the rise. "Lighter rain is possible on Thursday and Friday, with the heavier rainfall totals coming over the weekend," said Kathleen Zontos of Eureka's National Weather Service. "Sunday and into Monday should produce light rain, with a potential small break on Tuesday. The next chance of wet weather is next Wednesday through Friday. The seven-day forecast ending next Tuesday is calling for 3 to 5 inches in the Smith Basin. Here locally, the Mad and lower Eel could see 1 to 2 inches. Further up the South Fork Eel, a half to an inch of rain is possible. From Dec.13 to Dec. 21, the probability of above normal precipitation is predicted."

Mad River Steelhead Derby to start Jan. 1

The Nor-Cal Guides and Sportsmen's Association (NCGASA) is hosting its second annual Mad River Steelhead Derby from Jan. 1 through March 31. Anglers must be signed up prior to Jan. 1 to be eligible to win cash and prizes. Only hatchery steelhead can be entered. The largest steelhead wins $500, second place $300 and third place $150. A youth division winner (16 and under) wins a $150 tackle gift card. In addition, anglers who submit a winning video of their catch in action get a $100 gift card to Bucksport Sporting Goods. Anglers can sign up online at www.ncgasa.org or in person at RMI Outdoors and Bucksport. Part of the proceeds benefit the Mad River Steelhead Stewards volunteer angler's broodstock collection program that works in concert with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. For more information, visit www.madriver-steelheaderby.com

The Rivers:

Smith

The Smith opened back up to fishing Sunday morning and remained open as of Wednesday. Another closure is possible this week as flows drop. A big storm is expected by the weekend, however. Boat pressure has been light but some kings were caught on the lower river last week. Riffles between the Outhouse and the Outfitters were holding quite a few half-pounders along with an occasional adult steelhead.

Chetco/Elk/Sixes

Steelhead are showing up in good early season numbers on the Chetco, with adult fish now spread throughout the system, reports Andy Martin of Wild Rivers Fishing. "The best fishing has been at Social Security Bar, where at least half a dozen adult steelhead were caught on Sunday, but steelhead can be seen below spawning salmon all the way to the upper river," said Martin. "A few bright kings are still around, with lots of salmon still spawning. Drift boaters are seeing steelhead in the tailouts from Ice Box to the head of tide. The river likely will blow out this weekend but should be in great shape next week."

According to Martin, shore anglers have been catching salmon near the Sixes Grange, while drift boaters were back on the Sixes after the weekend rains. "The big storm this weekend should lead to a big rise on both the Elk and Sixes, bringing in another batch of fall kings and the first winter steelhead of the year," added Martin.

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Read the complete fishing report at www.northcoastjournal.com.

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More light shines at **Chanukah on the Plaza** on **Sunday, Dec. 13** from **10 a.m.** to **4 p.m.** at the **Arcata Plaza** (free). Chabad of Humboldt and Arcata Main Street present this special event featuring a 9-foot menorah, crafts for the kids and goodies and prizes for everyone. Head home to watch the spectator-free menorah lighting broadcast from the plaza at **4 p.m.**

10 Thursday

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MOVIES

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The Writers Lounge via Zoom. 7:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. A writing workshop geared toward stand-up and comedy. Zoom Room: 857 4217 6054. Password: writers. Join Zoom Meeting www.us02web.zoom.us/j/85742176054?pwd=dWp4UGVqaUVYQ0wzekVnZkZ0VlMzZz09.

THEATER

Plush. 6 p.m. Virtual World, Online. Dell'Arte International teacher Carlos Gallegos' one-man show about a silent, lonely circus artist. On Facebook live. www.facebook.com/dellarteinternational/live?mc_cid=6d208690c5&mc_eid=f7d2b52240.

EVENTS

Is Technology Damaging Our Native Youth? Noon. Virtual World, Online. Two Feathers Native American Family Services' virtual forum focused on technology and its effect on Native youth. Full agenda on website and Facebook. Reserve space at www.surveymonkey.com/r/VTN7F6N. Free. www.twofeathers-nafs.org.

FOR KIDS

Fortuna Library Recorded Readings. Virtual World, Online. Hosted by the Fortuna Branch Library on its Facebook page, www.facebook.com/HumCoLibraryFortuna.

Virtual Junior Rangers. 11:30 a.m. Virtual World, Online. North Coast Redwoods District of California State Parks offers kids' programs and activities about coast redwoods, marine protected areas and more, plus Junior Ranger Badges. Register online and watch live. www.bit.ly/NCRDVirtualJuniorRanger.

HOLIDAY EVENTS

Bayside Holiday Market. Noon-7 p.m. Bayside Community Hall, 2297 Jacoby Creek Road. A temporary retail store with wares by 26 local artisans and crafters (who won't be on site). Social distancing and masks required. amysalmostperfect@gmail.com. www.amysalmostperfect.com. 593-6544.

Season of Gifting Online Auction. Virtual World, Online. Explore art, wine and décor, collectibles, jewelry, memorabilia and more. Bidding through Dec. 13. Benefits the Memorial Lighthouse Project. www.trinidadcivicclub.org.

MEETINGS

Humboldt County Human Rights Town Hall and Listening Session. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Virtual World, Online. An open place to discuss the state of human rights in Humboldt County and come forward with experiences to be heard. Zoom meeting ID: 593 145 3354. Passcode: Community. Free. hhr@co.humboldt.ca.us. www.facebook.com/events/2983851228509324.

OUTDOORS

Live from Behind the Redwood Curtain. Ongoing, 3-3:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. California State Parks' North Coast Redwoods District is broadcasting programs featuring tall trees and rugged seas from state parks via Facebook. Free. www.facebook.com/NorthCoastRedwoods.

ETC

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Restorative Movement. 10:30-11:30 a.m. & 1:30-2:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. SoHum Health presents classes focused on strength and mobility (Tuesday), and on relaxation and breath work (Thursday). Contact instructor Ann Constantino for online orientation. Free. annconstantino@gmail.com. www.sohumhealth.org. 923-3921.

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ArtBiz Virtual Online Auction. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

Artists' Challenge. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

MUSIC

James Zeller Hosts the J St. Regulars Radio Hour. 7-8 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

King Maxwell Quarantine Funk #9. 9-11 p.m. Virtual World, Online. King Maxwell spins funk, soul, electro, disco, roller skating jams and boogie, and adds vocoder flavor. Free. arcatasoulpartycrew@gmail.com. www.youtube.com/watch?v=pssTRy5HLAk.

Quarantine Sing-a-long. Ongoing, 7 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

Shelter n Play. 6 p.m. Virtual World, Online. Public group on Facebook made up of locals. Open mic for all skill levels, all styles, everyone's welcome to watch or perform. Sign-ups Wednesdays at noon. www.facebook.com/groups/224856781967115.

THEATER

HSU Presents *10 Ways to Survive Life in a Quarantine*. Virtual World, Online. A short comedy by Don Zolidis with handy solutions like putting on a musical with your dog or falling in love with an inanimate object. All ages. For free tickets: www.forms.gle/xaN854miKYLg3vgi6. Free. www.forms.gle/xaN854miKYLg3vgi6.

Plush. 6 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

EVENTS

The Curiosity Hour: Weekly Double Dose of Weird with Veve Decay. 8 p.m. Virtual World, Online. An evening of strange tales, live chats and parlor games hosted by Altar Ego: Curious Art & Fashion Design. www.facebook.com/events/939880849742122.

FOR KIDS

School-age Storytime. 11 a.m. Virtual World, Online. Hosted by the Arcata Branch Library via Zoom. To sign up, email sparsons@co.humboldt.ca.us or call 822-5954.

HOLIDAY EVENTS

Bayside Holiday Market. Noon-7 p.m. Bayside Community Hall, 2297 Jacoby Creek Road. See Dec. 10 listing.

Fortuna Al Grey Electric Lighted Truck Parade. 6 p.m. Redwood Village Shopping Center, 735 S Fortuna Blvd., Fortuna. Watch from your vehicle as big rigs, floats and vehicles decked in lights for this annual event. Masks and social distancing required outside vehicles. 725-9261.

Holiday Auction for Arcata High, SRCHS, Pacific Coast Class of 2021 Safe & Sober. Virtual World, Online. An online auction featuring 40 items donated by local community members and businesses. Proceeds support the AHS, SRCHS and PCH Class of 2021. ahssafeandsober2021@gmail.com. www.biddingowl.com/Auction/home.cfm?auctionID=25280.

Season of Gifting Online Auction. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

MEETINGS

Humboldt County Human Rights Town Hall and Listening Session. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

OUTDOORS

Christmas Bird Count Prep Talk and Photo Sharing. 7-8 p.m. Virtual World, Online. Ken Burton leads an interactive discussion of the count. Concludes with time to share bird photos from the past year. Go to www.rras.org/home.aspx.

Live from Behind the Redwood Curtain. Ongoing, 3-3:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

ETC

A Call to Yarns. Noon -1 p.m. Virtual World, Online. A weekly Zoom meetup for knitters and crocheters. Sign up using the Google form for an email inviation. Free. sparsons@co.humboldt.ca.us. www.forms.gle/CkdbZSbjbckZQej89. 822-5954.

English Express: An English Language Class for Adults. Ongoing. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

Tabata. 5:30-6:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. SoHum Health presents online classes with short, high intensity cardio workouts. Contact instructor Stephanie Finch by email for a link to the class. Free. sfinch40@gmail.com. www.sohumhealth.com.

12 Saturday

ART

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Artists' Challenge. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

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BOOKS

Reading in Place - An Online Reading Group. 1 p.m. Virtual World, Online. Sign up online for a Zoom meeting invite and the week's reading for discussion. www.forms.gle/zKymPvcDFDG7BJEP9.

DANCE

World Dance Celebration. Noon-2 p.m. Virtual World, Online. Zoom-based dance showcase featuring those who dance at Redwood Raks and more in live and pre-recorded pieces. Zoom Meeting ID: 166876. Password: Raks. $10-20. Rakscollective@gmail.com. www.redwoodraks.com. 616-6876.

MUSIC

EmRArt with James Zeller. 2-4 p.m. Virtual World, Online. Cross-platform entertainment from remote locations. James Zeller plays jazz from Arcata, and Emily Reinhart lays charcoal on birch wood in Eureka. Watch via Facebook (www.facebook.com/EmRArt) or by YouTube. Free. emily@emilyreinhart.com. www.youtube.com/channel/UClclGc_-RErDvHWjNBsbhIQ.

Quarantine Sing-a-long. Ongoing, 7 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

THEATER

Plush. 6 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

EVENTS

Club Triangle Streaming Saturdays. Virtual World, Online. Weekly online queer variety show. Submissions accepted daily. Post your art on social media and tag @clubtriangle. #coronoshebettadont. Free. www.facebook.com/clubtriangl.

FOR KIDS

Preschool Storytime. 11 a.m. Virtual World, Online. Hosted by the Arcata Branch Library via Zoom. To sign up, email sparsons@co.humboldt.ca.us or call 822-5954.

FOOD

Arcata Plaza Winter Farmers Market. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Arcata Plaza, Ninth and G streets. Every Saturday, rain or shine, Humboldt County farmers gather on the plaza to share their bounty. Current COVID safety guidelines online. Free. info@northcoastgrowersassociation.org. www.northcoastgrowersassociation.org. 441-9999.

HOLIDAY EVENTS

Trucker's Christmas Parade. 6 p.m. City of Eureka, Humboldt County. The 32nd annual event starts at Redwood Acres Fairgrounds, heads down Harris Street to I Street and Myrtle Avenue before returning to Redwood Acres. rexandfriendstruckersparade.com.

The Playhouse Olde Time Radio Show. 7 p.m. Virtual World, Online. The holiday show returns via KHUM 104.7 and 104.3 FM. Written and performed by Tyler Olsen, Gabe McKinney, Elizabeth Colon Nelson, Laura Muñoz, Jackie Dandeneau, Meridith Ann Baldwin, Joan Schirle, Ben Clifton, and Bob and Lynn Wells. Music by Tim Randles and others. Appetizer plates available through the Playhouse website. Free. www.arcataplayhouse.org.

Bayside Holiday Market. Noon-7 p.m. Bayside Community Hall, 2297 Jacoby Creek Road. See Dec. 10 listing.

Holiday Auction for Arcata High, SRCHS, Pacific Coast Class of 2021 Safe & Sober. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 11 listing.

Holiday Craft Fair. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Eureka Veterans Memorial Hall, 1018 H St. Support your community and snag some great holiday gifts. Mask required. Only 100 people in the building at all times. Hand sanitizer at every booth. Free entry. www.facebook.com/events/697396344265280.

Santa's Coming to Town. Noon. Ferndale Main Street, Ferndale. Santa Claus will be coming to Ferndale to pick up his mail from selected Main Street businesses and wish the kids a Merry Christmas. Please follow county COVID social distancing guidelines.

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Visit Santa and Mrs. Claus. 1-3 p.m. Umpqua Bank, 1360 Main St., Fortuna. Children can interact with Santa and Mrs. Claus through the bank's drive-thru window, placing their letters to Santa in the drive-thru window tray and saying hello through the microphone. Each family gets a candy cane from Santa. Free.

MEETINGS

Humboldt County Human Rights Town Hall and Listening Session. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

OUTDOORS

Live from Behind the Redwood Curtain. Ongoing, 3-3:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

ETC

English Express: An English Language Class for Adults. Ongoing. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

13 Sunday

ART

Arcata Sunday Art Market. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Arcata Farmers Market (off the plaza), Eighth and I streets. Open-air market showcasing the work of local artists and crafters. Self-screen for symptoms, wear masks, keep safe distance.

ArtBiz Virtual Online Auction. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

Artists' Challenge. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

MUSIC

Quarantine Sing-a-long. Ongoing, 7 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

THEATER

Plush. 6 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

FOOD

Food Not Bombs. 4 p.m. Arcata Plaza, Ninth and G streets. Free, hot food for everyone. Mostly vegan and organic and always delicious. Free.

HOLIDAY EVENTS

Bayside Holiday Market. Noon-4 p.m. Bayside Community Hall, 2297 Jacoby Creek Road. See Dec. 10 listing.

Chanukah on the Plaza. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Arcata Plaza, Ninth and G streets. A 9-foot menorah, Chanukah crafts for kids, and goodies and prizes for everyone. Watch the menorah lighting broadcast at 4 p.m. from the safety of home.

Drive Thru Children's Craft Fair. 11 a.m. Church of the Joyful Healer, 1944 Central Ave., McKinelyville. Pick up a grab bag with crafts to create together at home. Instructions provided. Donations appreciated.

Holiday Auction for Arcata High, SRCHS, Pacific Coast Class of 2021 Safe & Sober. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 11 listing.

Holiday Craft Fair. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Eureka Veterans Memorial Hall, 1018 H St. See Dec. 12 listing.

Season of Gifting Online Auction. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

OUTDOORS

Live from Behind the Redwood Curtain. Ongoing, 3-3:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

ETC

English Express: An English Language Class for Adults. Ongoing. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

14 Monday

ART

ArtBiz Virtual Online Auction. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

Artists' Challenge. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

MUSIC

James Zeller Hosts the J St. Regulars Radio Hour. 7-8 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

Quarantine Sing-a-long. Ongoing, 7 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

EVENTS

Is Technology Damaging Our Native Youth? Noon. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

HOLIDAY EVENTS

Holiday Auction for Arcata High, SRCHS, Pacific Coast Class of 2021 Safe & Sober. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 11 listing.

OUTDOORS

Live from Behind the Redwood Curtain. Ongoing, 3-3:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

ETC

English Express: An English Language Class for Adults. Ongoing. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

Tabata. 5:30-6:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 11 listing.

15 Tuesday

ART

ArtBiz Virtual Online Auction. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

Artists' Challenge. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

COMEDY

Savage Henry's BigFish Open Mic via Zoom. 9 p.m. Virtual World, Online. Enjoy or participate in some stand-up open-mic Zoom style. Five-minute sets. Zoom: www.us02web.zoom.us/j/86421967992 Password: comedy.

MUSIC

Daniel Nickerson Hosts The J Street Regulars Radio Hour. 7-8 p.m. Virtual World, Online. Artists give a one hour program to connect, send healing music, educate on American music history, celebrate artists of color and more. Free, donations encouraged. music@sanctuaryarcata.org. www.facebook.com/thesanctuaryarcata.

James Zeller Hosts the J St. Regulars Radio Hour. 7-8 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

Quarantine Sing-a-long. Ongoing, 7 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

FOR KIDS

Tuesday Storytime with Ms. Tamara. Virtual World, Online. Posted every Tuesday on Arcata Library's Facebook page, www.facebook.com/HumCoLibraryArcata.

MEETINGS

Local Homesharing Info Session. 1-1:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. If you have a spare bedroom and could use extra income or help around the house, Northcoast Homeshare (a program of Area 1 Agency on Aging) can connect you with a compatible housemate. Join the weekly 30-minute Zoom informational session. Free. homeshare@a1aa.org. zoom.us/j/2673010045?pwd=eTJvajJXaWR4eEMwOUErQlpGZHBJZz09. 442-3763 ext. 213.

OUTDOORS

Live from Behind the Redwood Curtain. Ongoing, 3-3:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

ETC

English Express: An English Language Class for Adults. Ongoing. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

Restorative Movement. 10:30-11:30 a.m. & 1:30-2:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

16 Wednesday

ART

ArtBiz Virtual Online Auction. Virtual World, Online. See

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Artists' Challenge. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

COMEDY

Drive-In Comedy w/Eric Fitzgerald. 9 p.m. Savage Henry Comedy Club, 415 Fifth St., Eureka. Pull in behind the club, tune into 107.9 FM. No public restroom. Mask required outside vehicle. Venmo donations @Savage-Henry. www.savagehenrymagazine.com.

LECTURE

Meet the Expert. 5 p.m. Virtual World, Online. Humboldt-Del Norte Film Commissioner Cassandra Hesseltine interviews film industry professionals and discusses local filming. New videos posted to the commission's YouTube channel and social media. www.youtube.com/channel/UCsbPoRUx8O-JlzuLCUNlBxiw.

MUSIC

James Zeller Hosts the J St. Regulars Radio Hour. 7-8 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

Quarantine Sing-a-long. Ongoing, 7 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

THEATER

Kaleidoscope Neighborhood. 6 p.m. Virtual World, Online. Dell'Arte International teacher Carlos Gallegos' one-man show. On Facebook live. www.facebook.com/dellarteinternational/live.

EVENTS

Covered California Open Enrollment Informational Webinar and Q&A. 5:30-6:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. Learn about signing up for coverage from Open Door Community Health Centers' certified enrollment counselors. Schedule free application assistance, and get your questions answered. Drop-in Zoom event. No registration required. Meeting ID: 963 4974 8182. Free. memberservices@opendoorhealth.com. www.facebook.com/events/429607785093720.

The Curiosity Hour: Weekly Double Dose of Weird with Veve Decay. 8 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 11 listing.

Is Technology Damaging Our Native Youth? Noon. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

FOR KIDS

Preschool Storytime. 11 a.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 12 listing.

HOLIDAY EVENTS

Bayside Holiday Market. Noon-7 p.m. Bayside Community Hall, 2297 Jacoby Creek Road. See Dec. 10 listing.

OUTDOORS

Live from Behind the Redwood Curtain. Ongoing, 3-3:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

ETC

English Express: An English Language Class for Adults. Ongoing. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

Reel Genius Virtual Trivia. 6:30-8:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. Create a team via Facetime, Skype, Messenger, Hangouts etc., order some food and brews from the Madrone and play while dining outdoors, or enjoying takeout at home. Invite link will be posted prior to the event. www.facebook.com/events/657139721581557.

Tabata. 5:30-6:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 11 listing.

Weekly Check-in with Rep. Huffman. Noon. Virtual World, Online. Rep. Jared Huffman (D-San Rafael) will hold Facebook Live check-ins to engage with his constituents on the latest updates regarding the novel coronavirus pandemic and to answer questions about the federal response. More information at www.huffman.house.gov/coronavirus. Free. www.facebook.com/rephuffman.

17 Thursday

ART

ArtBiz Virtual Online Auction. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

Artists' Challenge. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

DANCE

Dances of Brazil. 5:30 p.m. Redwood Raks World Dance Studio, 824 L St., Arcata. See Dec. 10 listing.

MUSIC

James Zeller Hosts the J St. Regulars Radio Hour. 7-8 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

Quarantine Sing-a-long. Ongoing, 7 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

SPOKEN WORD

The Writers Lounge via Zoom. 7:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

THEATER

Kaleidoscope Neighborhood. 6 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 16 listing.

FOR KIDS

Fortuna Library Recorded Readings. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

Virtual Junior Rangers. 11:30 a.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

HOLIDAY EVENTS

Bayside Holiday Market. Noon-7 p.m. Bayside Community Hall, 2297 Jacoby Creek Road. See Dec. 10 listing.

OUTDOORS

Live from Behind the Redwood Curtain. Ongoing, 3-3:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

ETC

City of Arcata Community Vision Listening Session. 5:30-7 p.m. Virtual World, Online. Feedback for city staff will be used for future city planning efforts. Participate via Zoom link on the website. comdev@cityofarcata.org. www.cityofarcata.org. 822-5955.

English Express: An English Language Class for Adults. Ongoing. Virtual World, Online. See Dec. 10 listing.

Heads Up ...

The city of Arcata is seeking community members for the Planning Commission. Applications may be dropped off, in a sealed envelope labeled "City Manager's Office," at the city's drop boxes in the city hall parking lot and next to the USPS mailbox outside city hall. Visit www.cityofarcata.org or call 822-5953.

The Humboldt Arts Council is distributing by CARES Act relief-funded grants to aid local arts organizations serving socially vulnerable populations not eligible for direct CARES Act grants. Details and application at www.humboldtarts.org/cares-act-grant-application.

The Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt is seeking additional applicants for the 2020/2021 Humboldt County Civil Grand Jury. Visit www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov or call 269-1245. Interested parties may also complete, download and email an application to: GrandJuryApps@humboldtcourt.ca.gov.

The Arcata Police Department is looking for volunteer patrol members. Contact Administrative Sgt. Brian Hoffman at 822-2428.

Humboldt Senior Resource Center offers low-cost firewood vouchers to households with low to moderate income seniors 55 or older. Call 443-9747, ext. 3232. ●

Hollywood Beginning

Happiest Season and *Mank*

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Just dressing for myself during quarantine. *Mank*

HAPPIEST SEASON. Having made no secret of my childlike but abiding love of Christmas movies and despite our conventional notions of time and meaningful dates of demarcation having slipped away in 2020, I feel compelled to watch them. Maybe it's a passive version of the denial that has led swaths of the populace to wantonly infect each other, maybe a minor act of nostalgia — hard to say. But the tree is trimmed, stockings by the chimney (not far from a similar display of masks), the door is bolted and I'm watching holiday movies.

My editor beat me to the punch reviewing *Jingle Jangle*, which, out of performative sour grapes, I have yet to see. Happily, there is the latest from actor/writer/director Clea Duvall who, with co-writer Mary Holland and a tremendous cast, has gifted us with *Happiest Season*, a thoughtful, seasonally bedecked, sometimes goofy romantic comedy with a firm perspective and something to say about acceptance, expectation and human experience.

In Pittsburg (for some reason) Abby (Kristen Stewart) and Harper (Mackenzie Davis), are in love. Despite Abby's general antipathy for the holiday, she agrees to forgo her usual Christmas routine of pet sitting for friends and go home with Harper, armed with a ring and a plan to propose on Christmas morning. A challenge emerges en route, however, when Harper informs her beloved that reports of her parents' warm reception to her coming out the previous summer had been greatly exaggerated. By Harper herself. And that, in fact, no such event had transpired, leaving the parents with the distinct impression that Harper is simply between boyfriends and Abby is her orphaned roommate — a lie by omission, if one believes in that sort of thing. Furthermore, Harper's father Ted (Victor Garber) is actively courting a conservative donor/influencer in his bid for mayor, so mum's the word. This all before Abby even meets the family, which includes perfectionist stress-case mom Tipper (Mary Steenburgen), lovable black sheep sister Jane (Mary Holland) and lawyer turned gift basket entrepreneur sister Sloane (Alison Brie), the last with her own adorable, cut-from-a-catalog but clearly troubled family unit in tow.

The house becomes an impeccably decorated pressure-cooker for Abby as soon as she walks in the door and she can't seem to put a foot right. When she's introduced to Harper's ex-boyfriend Connor (Jake McDorman), whose photographs still adorn the family end tables and then to Riley (Aubrey Plaza), the girlfriend Harper spurned and threw to the wolves of "family values," Abby might start to wonder about the return policy on the engagement ring in her luggage.

Happiest Season may not be perfect, its plot perhaps a little predictable, the timing of the gags slightly uneven, but it succeeds mightily in subverting a staid form without trying to be subversive at all. It's a home-for-the-holidays story told from the perspective of characters who have so often been marginalized, reduced to punch lines or local color. By telling the story in the most traditional form, complete with soothing hot toddy atmosphere of a classic Hollywood Christmas movie, it reinforces that there is no truth to the notion of "non-traditional" couples or families or relationships; everybody squabbles at the holidays. Well, maybe not this year. PG13. 102M. HULU.

MANK. These comments will be, for most, mercifully brief. Not because *Mank* is an insignificant work (quite the opposite), or because I didn't care for it (I loved every minute), but because it is a scholarly text that references another, examinees a particular industry as microcosm of the country that created it and then gets into the really heady stuff about the lie of meritocracy, the hopelessness of idealism in the face of greed and the risks inherent in challenging the status quo of the rich and powerful.

David Fincher hasn't made a feature since *Gone Girl* (2014). He's been busy forming a strategic alliance with Netflix, unquietly decrying the lack of curiosity and courage of conventional Hollywood and, it would seem, preparing *Mank* (screenplay by his late father Jack), which might be the best thing he's ever done.

In the midst of the Great Depression, with war noisily taking shape in Europe, Hollywood is hiring. Writers are brought to California from far and wide with the (often false) promise of easy wealth. Radio and theater wunderkind Orson Welles (Tom Burke) has been given an unprecedented carte-blanche contract at RKO. He, in turn, has hired acerbic iconoclast Herman J. Mankiewicz (Gary Oldman) to draft a screenplay for his first project. Mank, cast into the desert with a broken leg, long-suffering attendants Fraulein Freda (Monika Grossmann) and Rita Alexander (Lily Collins), and orders to abstain from alcohol (he doesn't), has two months to make a masterpiece (he does). A tall enough order but the script in question is also an indictment of William Randolph Hearst (Charles Dance) and the system of media influence and corporatocracy that made Hearst one of the most influential figures of the 20th century and, arguably, destroyed American democracy. Oh, and Herman and his wife Sara (Tuppence Middleton) had been not infrequent guests of Hearst's at San Simeon, with Mank forming a particularly close friendship with the big man's lady friend Marion Davies (Amanda Seyfried). It's a lot and I'm not even scratching the surface.

Of course, the screenplay in question became *Citizen Kane*, which both made and destroyed the careers of both Makiewicz and Welles, and is one of the most innovative and important works of art of the 20th century. Its authorship was hotly contested from the beginning, its narrative and stylistic moves have been stolen continuously all along, and I can hardly add to the scholarship about it.

Fincher can, though, and has done, as perhaps no one else could. Using the techniques of the 1930s and '40s, he has created a thoroughly modern, breathtakingly beautiful movie that comments with great sophistication on art, business, politics and social justice (just to name a few) that is also compulsively watchable and emotionally engaging from first frame to last. R. 131M. NETFLIX. ●

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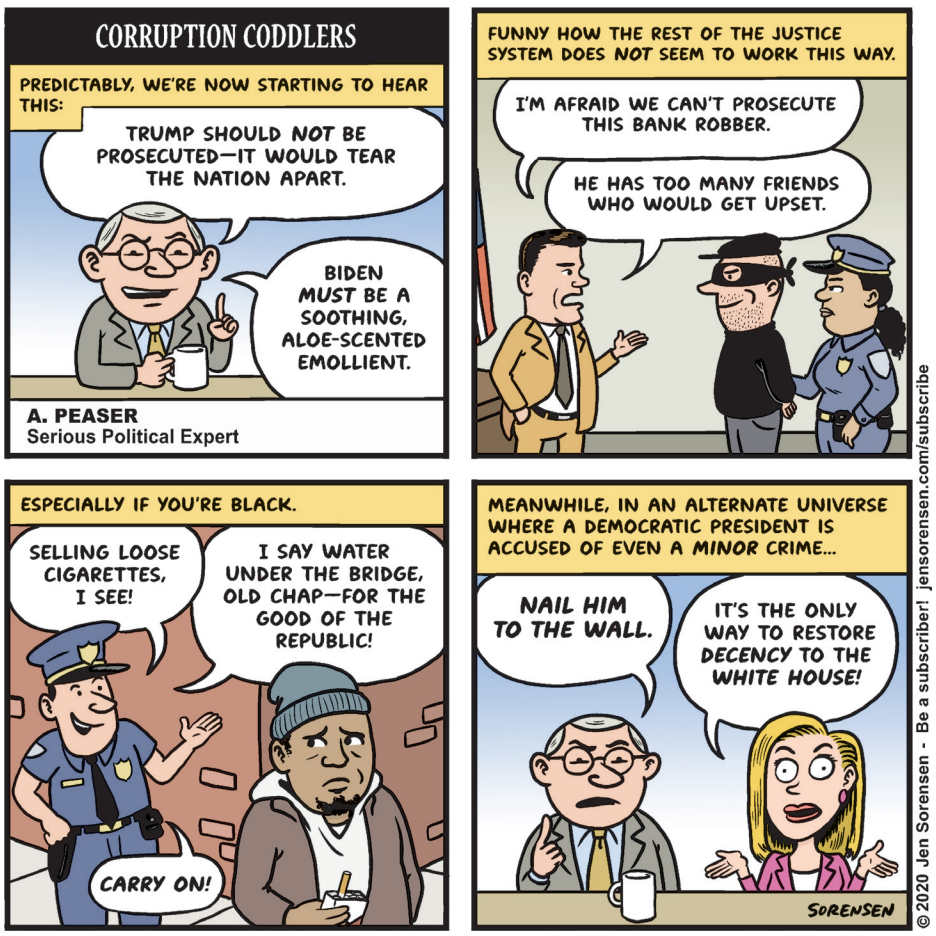
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AMENDED NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF CONCEPCION CAMPOS HUSBANDS, a/k/a CONNIE HUSBANDS CASE NO. PR2000294

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of CONCEPCION CAMPOS HUSBANDS, a/k/a CONNIE HUSBANDS

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Petitioner PAUL HUSBANDS

In the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt. The petition for probate requests that PAUL HUSBANDS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on January 14, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. at the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, in Dept.: 6.

Effective Monday, May 18, 2020, Humboldt Superior Court resumed Probate calendars using remote video and phone conferencing. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, if you wish to appear at the court hearing, you must do so remotely. Instructions to appear remotely are set forth on the Court's website: www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER:
James D. Poovey, Inc.
937 6th Street
Eureka, CA 95501
707-443-6744
Filed: December 7, 2020
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

12/10, 12/17, 12/24 (20-317)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JEFFREY BRYAN BOYDSTUN CASE NO. PR2000289

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of JEFFREY BRYAN BOYDSTUN

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Petitioner DOUGLAS JOHNSON

In the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt. The petition for probate requests that DOUGLAS JOHNSON be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on December 31, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. at the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, in Dept.: 6.

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ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER:
James D. Poovey
937 6th Street
Eureka, CA 95501
707-443-6744
Filed: November 25, 2020
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

12/3, 12/10, 12/17 (20-310)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MICHAEL JOSEPH NICKLIN, a/k/a MIKE NICKLIN CASE NO. PR2000295

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of MICHAEL JOSEPH NICKLIN, a/k/a MIKE NICKLIN

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Petitioner MATHIAS K. NICKLIN

In the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt. The petition for probate requests that MATHIAS K. NICKLIN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on January 14, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. at the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, in Dept.: 6.

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ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER:
James D. Poovey, Inc.
937 6th Street
Eureka, CA 95501
707-443-6744
Filed: December 3, 2020
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

12/10, 12/17, 12/24 (20-318)

PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND JUDICIAL FORFEITURE

On April 30th, 2020, Agents from the Humboldt County Drug Task Force seized property for forfeiture in connection with controlled substance violations, to wit, Section 11366 of the Health and Safety Code of California from Maple Lane in Arcata, California. The seized property is described as: $51,145.00 US currency and Control Number 20-F-32 has been assigned to this case. Use this number to identify the property in any correspondence with the Office of the Humboldt County District Attorney. If your claim is not timely filed, the Humboldt County District Attorney will declare the property described in this notice to be forfeited to the State and it will be disposed of as provided in Health and Safety Code Section 11489.

11/26, 12/3, 12/10 (20-293)

PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND JUDICIAL FORFEITURE

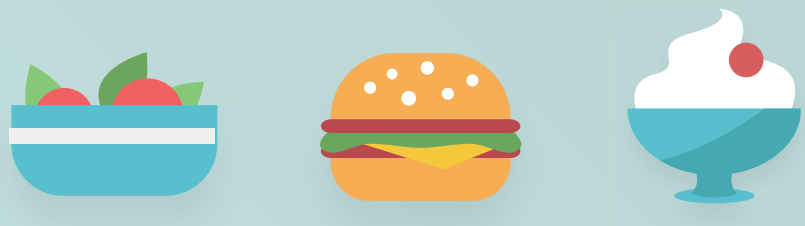
On June 22nd, 2020, Agents from the Humboldt County Drug Task Force seized property for forfeiture from Kelsey Lane in Myers Flat, California, in connection with controlled substance violations, to wit, Section 11359(B) of the Health and Safety Code of California. The seized property is described as: $111,188.00 in U.S. Currency. Control Number 20-F-29 has been assigned to this case. Use this number to identify the property in any correspondence with the Office of the Humboldt County District Attorney.

11/26, 12/3, 12/10 (20-292)

PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND NON-JUDICIAL FORFEITURE

On September 17th, 2020, Agents from the Humboldt County Drug Task Force seized property for forfeiture in connection with controlled substance violations, to wit, Section 11366.5 of the Health and Safety Code of California from Chester Court in Arcata, California. The seized property is described as: $5,260.00 US currency and Control Number 20-F-43 has been assigned to this case. Use this number to identify the property in any correspondence with the Office of the

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11/26, 12/3, 12/10 (20-308)

PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND NON-JUDICIAL FORFEITURE

On August 18th, 2020, Agents from the Humboldt County Drug Task Force seized property for forfeiture in connection with controlled substance violations, to wit, Section 11352 of the Health and Safety Code of California from Montgomery Street in Eureka, California. The seized property is described as: $7,081.00 US currency and Control Number 20-F-38 has been assigned to this case. Use this number to identify the property in any correspondence with the Office of the Humboldt County District Attorney.

11/26, 12/3, 12/10 (20-303)

PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND NON-JUDICIAL FORFEITURE

On July 14th, 2020, Agents from the Humboldt County Drug Task Force seized property for forfeiture in connection with controlled substance violations, to wit, Section 11359 of the Health and Safety Code of California from Northbound Highway 101, in Phillipsville, California. The seized property is described as: $2,613.00 US currency and Control Number 20-F-30 has been assigned to this case. Use this number to identify the property in any correspondence with the Office of the Humboldt County District Attorney.

11/26, 12/3, 12/10 (20-295)

NOTICE OF REMOVING $1 TOKENS FROM INVENTORY

Cher-Ae Heights Casino is removing the $1 token from inventory. The last day to redeem them for cash is December 11, 2020. As of December 12, 2020, the $1 token will have no monetary value.

11/26, 12/3, 12/10

PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND NON-JUDICIAL FORFEITURE

On August 5th, 2020, Agents from the Humboldt County Drug Task Force seized property for forfeiture in connection with controlled substance violations, to wit, Section 11377 of the Health and Safety Code of California from 270 5th Street in Eureka, California. The seized property is described as: $17,393.00 US currency and Control Number 20-F-36 has been assigned to this case. Use this number to identify the property in any correspondence with the Office of the Humboldt County District Attorney.

11/26,12/3, 12/10 (20-301)

PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND NON-JUDICIAL FORFEITURE

On July 19th, 2020, an Officer from the California Highway Patrol seized property for forfeiture in connection with controlled substance violations, to wit, Section 11351 of the Health and Safety Code of California from Garberville, California. The seized property is described as: $3,825.00 US currency and Control Number 20-F-33 has been assigned to this case. Use this number to identify the property in any correspondence with the Office of the Humboldt County District Attorney.

11/26, 12/3, 12/10 (20-297)



PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND NON-JUDICIAL FORFEITURE

On August 3rd, 2020, an Officer from the Eureka Police Department seized property for forfeiture in connection with controlled substance violations, to wit, Section 11351 of the Health and Safety Code of California from the Broadway Motel on Broadway Street in Eureka, California. The seized property is described as: $2,600.00 US currency and Control Number 20-F-34 has been assigned to this case. Use this number to identify the property in any correspondence with the Office of the Humboldt County District Attorney.

11/26, 12/3, 12/10 (20-298)

PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND NON-JUDICIAL FORFEITURE

On August 6th, 2020, Agents from the Humboldt County Drug Task Force seized property for forfeiture in connection with controlled substance violations, to wit, Section 11366 of the Health and Safety Code of California from Dolbeer Street and Harris Street in Eureka, California. The seized property is described as: $7,834.00 US currency and Control Number 20-F-37 has been assigned to this case. Use this number to identify the property in any correspondence with the Office of the Humboldt County District Attorney.

11/26, 12/3, 12/10 (20-302)

PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND NON-JUDICIAL FORFEITURE

On July 31st, 2020, an Officer from the Eureka Police Department seized property for forfeiture in connection with controlled substance violations, to wit, Section 11378 of the Health and Safety Code of California from West Hawthorn and Broadway Streets in Eureka, California. The seized property is described as: $5,841.00 US currency and Control Number 20-F-35 has been assigned to this case. Use this number to identify the property in any correspondence with the Office of the Humboldt County District Attorney.

11/26, 12/3, 12/10 (20-300)

PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND NON-JUDICIAL FORFEITURE

On June 4 th, 2020, Agents from the Humboldt County Drug Task Force seized property for forfeiture in connection with controlled substance violations, to wit, Section 11359 of the Health and Safety Code of California from Alderpoint Road in Alderpoint, California. The seized property is described as: $7,920.00 US currency and Control Number 20-F-31 has been assigned to this case. Use this number to identify the property in any correspondence with the Office of the Humboldt County District Attorney.

11/26, 12/3, 12/10 (20-296)

PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND NON-JUDICIAL FORFEITURE

On September 30th, 2020, Agents from the Humboldt County Drug Task Force and Officers from the Eureka Police Department seized property for forfeiture in connection with controlled substance violations, to wit, Section 11351 of the Health and Safety Code of California from C Street in Eureka California. The seized property is described as: $5,517.00 US currency and Control Number 20-F-41 has been assigned to this case. Use this number to identify the property in any correspondence with the Office of the Humboldt County District Attorney

11/26, 12/3, 12/10 (20-306)

PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND NON-JUDICIAL FORFEITURE

On September 17th, 2020, Agents from the Humboldt County Drug Task Force seized property for forfeiture in connection with controlled substance violations, to wit, Section 11359 of the Health and Safety Code of California from 5th and I streets in Eureka California. The seized property is described as: $5,665.00 US currency and Control Number 20-F-40 has been assignedto this case. Use this number to identify the property in any correspondence with the Office of the Humboldt County District Attorney.

11/26, 12/3, 12/10 (20-305)

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PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND NON-JUDICIAL FORFEITURE

On September 3rd, 2020, Agents from the Humboldt County Drug Task Force seized property for forfeiture in connection with controlled substance violations, to wit, Section 11379 of the Health and Safety Code of California from Hillside Drive, in Fortuna California. The seized property is described as: $2,469.00 US currency and Control Number 20-F-39 has been assigned to this case. Use this number to identify the property in any correspondence with the Office of the Humboldt County District Attorney.

11/26, 12/3, 12/10

PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND NON-JUDICIAL FORFEITURE

On September 27th, 2020, Agents from the Humboldt County Drug Task Force and Officers from the California Highway Patrol seized property for forfeiture in connection with controlled substance violations, to wit, Section 11366 of the Health and Safety Code of California from SR299 in Humboldt County, California. The seized property is described as: $12,599.00 US currency and Control Number 20-F-42 has been assigned to this case. Use this number to identify the property in any correspondence with the Office of the Humboldt County District Attorney.

11/26, 12/3, 12/10 (20-307)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20-00578

The following person is doing Business as
METAPHYSICAL SCIENCES UNIVERSITY

Humboldt
4779 Valley East Blvd, Ste 2
Arcata, CA 95521

PO Box 4505
Arcata, CA 95518

Wisdom of the Heart Church
CA A0689580
4779 Valley East Blvd, Ste 2
Arcata, CA 95521

The business is conducted by a Corporation.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars ($1,000).
/s Christine Breese, CEO
This November 24, 2020
KELLY E. SANDERS
by sc, Humboldt County Clerk

12/10, 12/17, 12/24, 12/31 (20-316)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20-00567

The following person is doing Business as
REDWOOD COAST NOTARY

Humboldt
2239 Freshwater Road
Eureka, CA 95503

Melissa A Morwood
2239 Freshwater Road
Eureka, CA 95503

The business is conducted by an Individual.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars ($1,000).
/s Melissa A Morwood, Owner, Notary Public
This November 10, 2020
KELLY E. SANDERS
by kt, Humboldt County Clerk

12/3, 12/10, 12/17, 12/24 (20-309)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20-00554

The following person is doing Business as
ZEN HUMBOLDT

Humboldt
437 F St
Eureka, CA 95501

Royalbis, LLC
CA 201804510794
437 F Street
Eureka, CA 95501

The business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars ($1,000).
/s Eric Kinney, President, CEO
Royalbis, LLC
This November 10, 2020
KELLY E. SANDERS
by tn, Humboldt County Clerk

11/19, 11/26, 12/3, 12/10 (20-289)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20-00558

The following person is doing Business as
THE SHADOW GALLERY: VIDEOS AND MORE

Humboldt
320 2nd Street Suite 1A
Eureka, CA 95501

Harley Demarest
309 E Street #17
Eureka, CA 95501

The business is conducted by an Individual.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on November 11, 2020
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars ($1,000).
/s Harley Demarest, Owner/Proprietor
This November 11, 2020
KELLY E. SANDERS
by tn, Humboldt County Clerk

11/19, 11/26, 12/3, 12/10 (20-286)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20-00566

The following person is doing Business as
JEFFERSON STATE TRADING CO

Humboldt
2729 Sunnygrove Ave

McKinleyville, CA 95519

PO Box 2102
McKinleyville, CA 95519

Peter P Leipzig
2729 Sunnygrove Ave
McKinleyville, CA 95519

The business is conducted by an Individual.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on November 9, 2020
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars ($1,000).
/s Peter Leipzig, Owner
This November 17, 2020
KELLY E. SANDERS
by kt, Humboldt County Clerk

11/26, 12/3, 12/10, 12/17 (20-299)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20-00538

The following person is doing Business as
LOCO LOAN SIGNINGS

Humboldt
576 Main St
Fortuna, CA 95540

Sharleign Zavaglia
576 Main St
Fortuna, CA 95540

The business is conducted by an Individual.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars ($1,000).
/s Sharleigh Zavaglia, Owner
This October 30, 2020
KELLY E. SANDERS
by sc, Humboldt County Clerk

11/26, 12/3, 12/10, 12/17 (20-294)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20-00550

The following person is doing Business as
SUPERGLASS

Humboldt
1700 Campton Rd #2
Eureka, CA 95503

Brandon A Langston
1700 Campton Rd #2
Eureka, CA 95503

The business is conducted by an Individual.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on November 1, 2020
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars ($1,000).
/s Brandon A. Langston
This November 6, 2020
KELLY E. SANDERS
by sc, Humboldt County Clerk

11/19, 11/26, 12/3, 12/10 (20-284)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CARL MANN CASE NO. CV2001250 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT 825 FIFTH ST. EUREKA, CA. 95501

PETITION OF:
CARL MANN
for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name
CARL MANN
to Proposed Name
CARL SANCHEZ
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: January 8, 2021
Time: 1:45 p.m., Dept. 4
SUPERIOR COURT
OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
825 FIFTH STREET
EUREKA, CA 95501
Date: November 17, 2020
Filed: November 20, 2020
/s/ Kelly L. Neel
Judge of the Superior Court

12/3, 12/10, 12/17, 12/24 (20-311)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME MARA AMARI FEY BELLA CASE NO. CV2001286 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT 825 FIFTH ST. EUREKA, CA. 95501

PETITION OF:
MARA AMARI FEY BELLA
for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name
MARA AMARI FEY BELLA
to Proposed Name
MARA AMARI FEY BENSON
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: January 8, 2021
Time: 1:45 p.m., Dept. 4
SUPERIOR COURT
OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
825 FIFTH STREET
EUREKA, CA 95501
Date: November 23, 2020
Filed: November 24, 2020
/s/ Kelly L. Neel
Judge of the Superior Court

12/3, 12/10, 12/17, 12/24 (20-313)

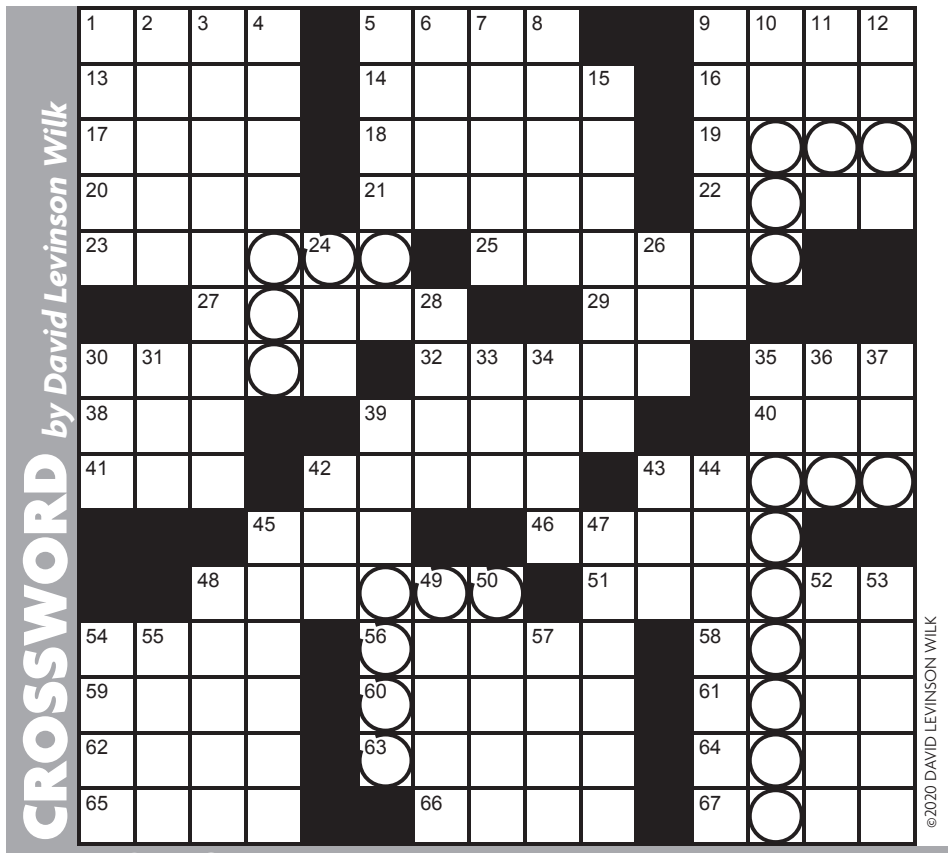
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME RAEANA MANN CASE NO. CV2001249 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT 825 FIFTH ST. EUREKA, CA. 95501

PETITION OF:
RAEANA MANN
for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name
RAEANA MANN
to Proposed Name
RAENA SANCHEZ
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: January 8, 2021
Time: 1:45 p.m., Dept. 4
SUPERIOR COURT
OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
825 FIFTH STREET
EUREKA, CA 95501
Date: November 17, 2020
Filed: November 20, 2020
/s/ Kelly L. Neel
Judge of the Superior Court

12/3, 12/10, 12/17, 12/24 (20-312)

LEGALS?
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BACK DOWN — *ANSWERS NEXT WEEK!*

ACROSS

1. Orkneyan or Shetlander
5. With 66-Across, concede the point ... or a two-word hint to solving 19-, 23-, 43- and 48-Across
9. "My, my!"
13. Hawaii surfing destination
14. Something matzo lacks
16. Florence's river
17. Pay (up)
18. Film producer Carlo
19. Quits fidgeting
20. 1922-91 initials
21. Something lent or bent, in a phrase
22. "If all ____ fails ..."
23. It's navigated at an amusement park
25. Film villain whose real name is Dougie Powers
27. Billionaire Carl
29. Quarterback Marino
30. Beef ____
32. Tom of "The Seven Year Itch"
35. Quick swim
38. Well-suited
39. Marriage money
40. Genesis woman
41. "Where ____ I?"
42. Mila of "Black Swan"
43. Pregnant women often experience it in their feet
45. Vulcano of "Impractical Jokers"
46. Send over the moon
48. In 2020, she became the youngest person to ever win a Grammy for Album of the Year
51. Actresses Worth and Dunne
54. Look ahead
56. "Now ____ be told"
58. Checklist component
59. Band at a wedding
60. Culture ____
61. "To Be Young, Gifted and Black" singer Simone
62. German sister company of Peugeot
63. Capital north of Ho Chi Minh City
64. Grind away
65. Big name in speakers
66. See 5-Across
67. First-year law student

DOWN

1. "The Hobbit: the Desolation of ____" (2013 film)
2. "Oh, yeah? Watch me!"
3. Periphery
4. Closet organizer
5. Indirect route
6. "____ Flux" (1990s MTV series)
7. Like some porch chairs
8. Relatively cool heavenly body
9. Enter gradually
10. Cook over coals
11. Kitchen pests
12. Two tablets, e.g.
15. Without any oomph
24. Manta ____
26. Kilmer of "Top Gun"
28. Official state element of Nevada, aptly
30. Uppercut target
31. Org. concerned with sustainability
33. The U.S. joined it in 1917
34. Gaelic tongue
35. Class clown's comeuppance
36. "____ been thinking ... "
37. ____ capita
39. Not particularly bright
42. Actor Penn
43. "What happens when language fails": Margaret Atwood
44. Eroded gradually
45. Census form choice
47. Rock's ____ Park
48. Curses
49. "____ to Be You"
50. Budget-friendly prefix in company names
52. Start of a choosing rhyme
53. Minute
54. "No ____" ("Don't sweat it!")
55. Start to suction?
57. "Don't have ____, man!"

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS TO READ THE ROOM

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SoHum Health is HIRING

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CURRENT JOB OPENINGS

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The Family Nurse Practitioner is an advanced practice Registered Nurse with additional preparation and skills in physical diagnosis, psycho-social assessment and management of health needs in primary health care, and who possesses the ability to assist the health status in individuals and families. The FNP provides for the continuity of healthcare to patients, provides instruction and counseling to individuals, families and groups concerning preventive health care; and collaborates with other providers and agencies to assure the provision of coordination of health care delivery to individuals and families. The FNP functions within the scope of practice as authorized for the RN pursuant to Business and Professions Code, Division 2, Chapter 6. The FNP functions within the scope of practice as specified in the Nursing Practice Act and as it applies to all Registered Nurses.

MINIMUM POSITION QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED:
Education/Knowledge: Graduation from an accredited nursing school; completion of an accredited nurse practitioner program and proof of current California licenses.

SPECIAL SKILLS/EQUIPMENT:
Ability to display professionalism in the work environment; ability to concentrate on details in a busy, distracting environment; ability to solve practical problems and deal effectively with situations where limited standardization exists.

LICENSES/CERTIFICATES:
Must possess valid California license as a registered nurse; California certificate as Nurse Practitioner; furnishing and dispensing number within six months of hire; current CPR certification.

Job Type: Full-time

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CITY OF FORTUNA

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Full job description and required application available at City of Fortuna, 621 11th St. or www.friendlyfortuna.com.

This position will remain open until filled.

K'ima:w Medical Center

an entity of the Hoopa Valley Tribe, is seeking applicants for the following positions:

MAT COUNSELOR FT/REGULAR
DEADLINE TO APPLY IS 5PM, DECEMBER 15, 2020.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR FT/REGULAR
DEADLINE TO APPLY IS 5PM, DECEMBER 11, 2020.

MEDICAL RECORDS TECHNICIAN FT/REGULAR
DEADLINE TO APPLY IS 5PM, DECEMBER 11, 2020.

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RN CARE MANAGER FT/REGULAR
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For an application, job description, and additional information, contact: K'ima:w Medical Center, Human Resources, PO Box 1288, Hoopa, CA, 95546 or call **530-625-4261** or email: **hr.kmc@kimaw.org** for a job description and application. You can also check our website listings for details at kimaw.org. Resume and CV are not accepted without a signed application.

Humboldt County Resource Conservation District
is seeking to hire a

OFFICE MANAGER

Part Time

For more information and to apply visit

http://humboldtrcd.org/about_us/employment_opportunities

The Hoopa Valley Tribe is accepting applications to fill the following vacant position:

FINANCIAL INSTITUTION DIRECTOR

Hoopa Development Fund, Regular, F/T, Salary: $53,400.00/yr.

Responsible for the management of the Hoopa Development Fund Credit Division and EDA Loan Fund Division. Directs and coordinates activities to implement Hoopa Development Fund policies, procedures and practices concerning granting or extending lines of credit for real estate and consumer credit loans, among other administrative duties.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS: Bachelor's Degree (B.A.) from a four-year college or university, or one to two years of related experience and/or training, or equivalent combination of education and experience. Must possess a valid CA Driver's License and be insurable. Must successfully pass an employment background check in accordance with Title 30A. This position is classified safety-sensitive.

DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 16, 2020.

For job descriptions and employment applications, contact the Human Resource/Insurance Department, Hoopa Valley Tribe, P.O. Box 218, Hoopa, CA 95546 or Call (530) 625-9200 Ext. 20 or email hr2@hoopainsurance.com. The Tribe's Alcohol & Drug Policy and TERO Ordinance.

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Tri-County Independent Living (TCIL) is a community-based, non-residential, non-profit, multicultural organization providing services to persons with disabilities to enhance independence.

Executive Director

One of 28 federally and state funded Independent Living Centers in California, TCIL serves people with disabilities in Humboldt, Del Norte and Trinity Counties from its main office in Eureka and satellite office in Crescent City.

TCIL provides mostly free services to support and enhance disability independence through its core services including Independent Living Skills, Housing Services, Assistive Technology, Youth Services, Home Transition Services, Peer Support, Personal Assistant Referral and Advocacy.

TCIL MISSION

To promote the philosophy of independent living, to connect individuals with services, and work to create an accessible community, so that people with disabilities can have control over their lives and full access to the communities in which they live.

POSITION

The Executive Director is responsible for the overall operations of the Center including staffing, planning, developing, budgeting, implementing and evaluating Center programs; advocacy and systems change activities; and represents the Center, or delegates such representation on the local, state, and national level.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

At least a BA in Human Services or Management or closely related field (Master's preferred) with a minimum of five years in upper level administrative/management experience. Minimum of one year's experience working with persons with disabilities.

Strong organizational background. Experience and/or knowledge of the range of programs serving persons with disabilities. Must have working knowledge of nonprofit agency structure/operations. Experience with resource development including community and public relations. Experience with human services program planning and implementation.

Full-Time, Exempt. Benefits include Medical, Dental, Vacation, Sick Leave, 11 paid Holidays.
Compensation: DOE.

Position description, application and information on how to apply, go to w.tilinet.org

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People with Disabilities strongly encouraged to apply. Alternative format will be provided upon request. EOE.

SoHum Health is HIRING

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CURRENT JOB OPENINGS

INFECTION PREVENTION / EMPLOYEE HEALTH

Full Time Position. Position includes, but is not limited to, infection monitoring and reporting, infection risk assessment and prevention, policy and procedure development, staff education, and outbreak management. Employee Health role includes new employee and annual health assessments, immunization programs, exposure management, and safe patient handling programs. Must be able to communicate clearly, verbally and in writing to interface with employees, medical staff, and state, local, and federal health departments and programs. BSN preferred. Certification in Infection Control (CIC) preferred, but willing to train the right candidate.

LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSE – CLINIC & HOME VISITS

Full Time position, 8 or 10 hr. shifts, 4 or 5 days a week, Monday - Friday. Current California LVN license and BLS certification required. Work 8 or 10 hour shifts in our outpatient

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Northcoast Children's Services

TEMPORARY TEACHER, McKinleyville

Responsible for the development & implementation of classroom activities—providing support and supervision for a toddler program. Must meet Associate Teacher Level on Child Development Permit Matrix & have 1 yr. experience teaching in a toddler setting. Temporary F/T 40 hrs/wk. M-F $14.78-$15.52/hr. **Open Until Filled.**

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The Hoopa Valley Tribe is accepting applications to fill the following vacant position

SENIOR TRIBAL ATTORNEY

The Hoopa Valley Tribe, a federally recognized Indian Tribe located in Hoopa, CA, seeks an Attorney to fill the position of Senior Tribal Attorney. The successful candidate will serve in the Office of Tribal Attorney under the supervision of the Hoopa Valley Tribal Council and Tribal Chairman. Provides a wide range of legal services to the Hoopa Valley Tribe, including without limitation advice, negotiation, drafting, research, lobbying, representation in litigation and administrative proceedings and other duties as assigned by the Council. Senior Tribal Attorney does not provide legal services or advice to individual Tribal members, except upon resolution of the Hoopa Valley Tribal Council.

Contractual, Salary: DOE.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- Juris Doctorate (J.D.) Degree.
- Minimum of five to ten years practicing Federal Indian Law and/or training; or equivalent combination of education or experience.
- Member in good standing of any state bar; California Bar Membership (highly desired) or willing to obtain California Bar membership within one year of hire.
- Outstanding writing, research and communication skills required.
- Experience in employment law, civil litigation, contracts and business law, and tax law.
- Must possess a Valid CA Driver's License and be insurable.
- Subject to a successful employment background check in accordance with Title 30A.
- Preference will be given to qualified Native American Indian applicants.
- This position classified safety-sensitive.

DEADLINE: OPEN UNTIL FILLED

Submit application, cover letter, resume and writing sample to the Human Resources Department, Hoopa Valley Tribe, P.O. Box 218, Hoopa, CA 95546, e-mail submission to liz@hoopainsurance.com, or call (530) 625-9200 ext. 20. The Tribe's Alcohol and Drug Policy and TERO Ordinance apply.

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City of Arcata

Supervisor Parks-Facilities-Natural Resources

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The position requires the use of independence, initiative, and discretion within established guidelines to Supervise the entire operations of the Parks/Facilities/Natural Resources Division including creating plans for the maintenance, installation, repair, inspection and/or construction of the City's parks, playgrounds, facilities, natural resource areas and structures.See **www.cityofarcata.org** for further information and requirements

Apply before 4 pm Monday, Dec. 21, 2020

Application materials can be mailed, hand delivered, faxed or emailed to citymgr@cityofarcata.org. Arcata City Manager's Office, 736 F Street, Arcata; or by calling (707) 822-5953. EOE.

The Hoopa Valley Tribe is accepting applications to fill the following vacant position

ASSOCIATE TRIBAL ATTORNEY

The Hoopa Valley Tribe, a federally recognized Indian Tribe located in Hoopa, CA, seeks an attorney to fill the position of Associate Tribal Attorney. The successful candidate will serve in the Office of Tribal Attorney and will provide a broad range or legal services to the Hoopa Valley Tribal Council, Chairperson tribal departments and entities, including consultation, research, drafting, representation in administrative proceedings, and other duties as assigned. **Contractual, Salary: DOE.**

Minimum Qualifications: Minimum of one (1) to five (5) years practicing law; at least two (2) years practicing Federal Indian Law or Administrative/Governmental Law (preferred). Juris Doctorate Degree. Member in good standing of any state bar; California Bar Membership (highly desired) or willing to obtain California Bar membership within one year of hire. Outstanding writing, research and communication skills required. Experience in employment law, civil litigation, contracts and business law, and tax law preferred.

Must possess a valid CA Driver's License (or able to obtain within 10 days of hire) and be insurable. Preference will be given to qualified Native American Indian applicants. This position classified safety-sensitive.

POSITION IS OPEN UNTIL FILLED.

Submit application, cover letter, resume and writing sample to: Human Resources Department, Hoopa Valley Tribe, P.O. Box 218, Hoopa, CA 95546 or call (530) 625-9200 ext. 20. Email submission: liz@hoopainsurance.com. The Tribe's Alcohol and Drug Policy and TERO Ordinance apply.

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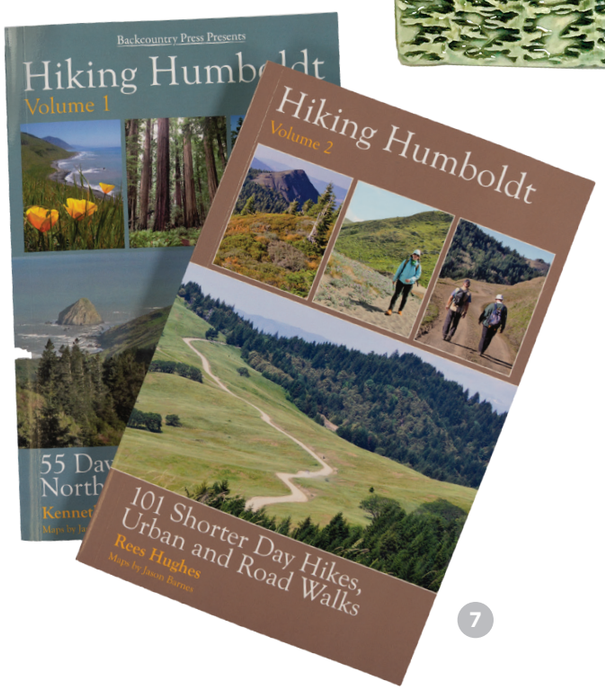
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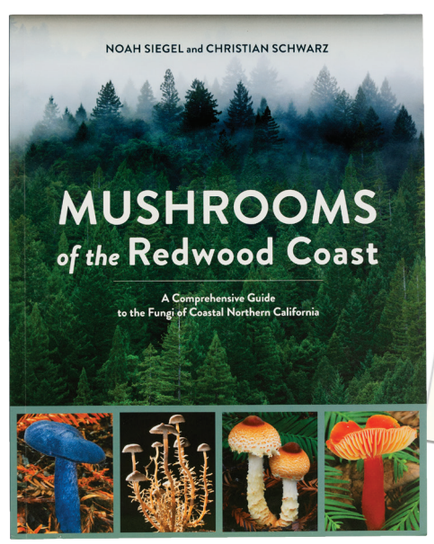


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